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# SECRET CONFERENCE HELD ON Birth Of China Moves To Settle Housing Claims In Shanghai

## Second Blondin Fell To Death

St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 26.  
Twenty thousand State Fair spectators, including his wife, watched while high wire acrobat Blondin, plunged 70 feet to death from a shattering fall.

## Clamor For Macao Dies Down

Shanghai, Aug. 26.  
Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's order to Canton newspapers and the Kwangtung Provincial Council to halt agitation for the return of Macao to China has dampened the clamor for retrocession of the Portuguese colony on the South China coast.

"Now is not the time and any agitation would cause laughter," the Chinese Generalissimo was reported to have told the Cantonese.

The informants said the movement for the return of Macao, which was started and fanned along by members of the Provincial Council and backed by the Chinese press, was not taken seriously from the start.

It did not have official endorsement and the Central Government authorities had found no legal justification to start negotiations, they said.

Chief figure in the agitation was Kuo Ying-shue, Kwangtung Council member and publisher of the Canton's Globe Daily News.

Macao's wartime boom has slipped into peacetime depression, despite brisk trade between the colony and Hong Kong, which is larger than between Hong Kong and Canton, these sources said.—Associated Press.

## STRIKE PLANS Employers Meet High Officials

There were no further talks between the strikers and dockyard employers yesterday. In what is believed to be a very important conference, however, representatives of the dockyard employers and of all the utilities and major industries met in secret conclave with high Government officials.

It is believed they discussed the deteriorating labour situation as a result of the present deadlock in the mechanics strike.

No information was available as to what took place but after the conference the Labour Officer sent word to the Chinese Engineers' Institute inviting their officials to meet him at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

There was no further development of the outburst at the Chinese Engineers' Institute meeting on Monday night, when strikers protested against what they termed the "hush-hush" policy of the negotiators.

Discontent was, however, apparent. Observers fear that all is not over yet and that it may break out into a storm if the negotiations are longer stalemated.

A meeting of workers' representatives was called at the Royal Naval Dockyard Chinese Workers' Club last night to consider the strike situation as it affects labourers other than the striking 13 branches.

A further meeting will be held on Thursday for a final decision. All branches of workers of the Hong Kong Tramway Co. held a secret meeting on Monday night, reportedly to decide on presenting a \$2 a day pay increase at the appropriate moment.

Utilities  
Last night workers of the Hong Kong Electric Co. met reportedly for the same purpose.

It was reported the step was approved in principle and it is just a question as to when is the psychological moment.

Workers of the Hong Kong Telephone Co. are scheduled to meet on Thursday night.

These meetings of utility workers, coming as they do in

rapid succession, can tend to only one thing, observers believe.

Either the men come out in sympathy with the strikers or they put in demands of their own.

Engine room staff and mechanics of the Hong Kong & Yau-mai Ferry Co. have not yet completed their ballot.

Enquiries of the workers concerned revealed that no immediate action is contemplated.

New Walk-Out  
Latest development in the strike itself was the walkout yesterday afternoon of 128 mechanics employed by the Army at the Caroline Hill truck depot.

Those in Kowloon were up to last night still at their posts. Another 200 odd carpenters at the Talkoo Dockyard joined the strike yesterday without giving any reason for their action.



Britain too celebrated the birth of the two new Dominions of India and Pakistan. The flag of Hindustan was raised in London outside India House and at the same time Pakistan's standard took the mast-head outside Lancaster House. Photo shows the crowd assembled for the ceremony outside India House.—A. P. Photo.

## Dutch Resume Naval Shelling As War Flares In Java

Batavia, Aug. 26.  
The Dutch Navy reported today that their warship Tidoor shelled Mendol Island, off Sumatra's east coast, damaging an undisclosed number of buildings near Republican positions in retaliation for the Indonesian shelling of the Tidoor.

The Dutch said the Indonesians opened the attack first with "most fierce shelling" on a Dutch warship from Bandong on Mendol Island—presumably while the warship was on a patrolling mission.

One Dutch sailor was wounded but the Dutch did not disclose what type of warship was involved.

They said the action took place on Sunday and that on the same day another patrol ship was shelled in the vicinity of the east coast of Sumatra.

"This firing was also answered," the Dutch Navy said, "by the Dutch Navy which issued a statement declaring that the patrolling of Republican waters would continue."

New Mercy Plane  
Meanwhile, an Indian mercy plane, loaded with 3,000 pounds of medicines and carrying Chinese Consul General Tchang Ching-feng, flew to Jogjakarta today.

Tchang, who plans to return on Thursday, said he would discuss the plight of Chinese nationals within the Republic with the Indonesian Republic leaders and Chinese nationals.

He was also expected to renew his request that the Chinese be loaned arms and permitted to form a security corps to prevent recurrence of anti-Chinese activity which, he said, had cost the lives of hundreds and the property of thousands of Chinese since the Dutch-

## Housing Claims In Shanghai

Nanking, Aug. 26.  
The Executive Yuan has taken action on the long-standing request of American and British property-owners in Shanghai to evict illegal occupants of American and British property.

The announcement said that an order was issued on July 23, which asked trespassers to move by today—"failing which they shall be held responsible for disobedience to this order."

Many British and Americans were unable to occupy their own property since the end of the war because of illegal occupants. In many cases by Chinese Army personnel who refuse to move out.

The order did not state how Army personnel would be held responsible but presumably the owners can bring legal proceedings.

The Executive Yuan today also decided to collect a two percent surcharge on China Coast as well as Yangtze shipping.

The proceeds will be given to Kwangtung and Kwangsi flood relief.

As a kind of economy offset, the Central Government decided to enforce summer time until October 31 to conserve electric power in line with the national thrift movement.

(Along the China Coast summer time is nine hours ahead of GMT).

Chefoo Push?  
Meanwhile, a high Government source, in a position to know National military strategy, told Associated Press today a plan has been made to land troops on Chefoo and Lungchow from Chinese warships, already blockading those ports, as soon as a force driving into the Shantung Peninsula from the west approached the area.

This source said National troops from Tsingtao had already entered the district of Laiyang, midway between Tsingtao and Chefoo.

Chefoo has become the Reds' most important base in eastern Shantung.

Report  
Other dispatches say that after completing its Korean visit, the Wedemeyer Mission will fly from Japan to Hawaii where they expect to spend at least a week at a mountain "hide-out," preparing their report to President Truman.

Two days after Nanking, Wedemeyer left for Nanking, leaving behind a highly critical report of what he had found there is no official reaction from the Chinese Government.

Among individual officials reaction ranged from the belief that the criticism presented a stirring challenge to China to dig

Honolulu, Aug. 26.  
The U.S. Navy has paid the Catholic Church on Guam \$524,950 for wartime damage to 38 properties, including the Cathedral at Agaña, Pacific Fleet Headquarters has announced.—Associated Press.

UNRRA FISHING BOATS HELD BY SCAP  
Kokura, Aug. 26.  
The 24th Division Headquarters announced today that three UNRRA Shanghai based fishing boats apprehended for fishing in Japanese waters without SCAP permission, have been ordered out of the Nipponese area and instructed not to return.

Three boats, flying Chinese flags, and carrying American "instructor fishermen" were apprehended by two destroyers of the British-American naval support group, when found operating off Kyushu.

The boats were tuna fishing craft operating on tuna from the chief of UNRRA fleet operations in Shanghai, according to Twenty-fourth division headquarters, which held the boats and crews blameless, but said the UNRRA Shanghai fishing office had exceeded its authority in ordering the crafts to Kyushu waters.

The American built boats—65-foot and diesel-powered—were named "Washington, Minnesota and Connecticut."

Chinese fishermen recently protested to the Chinese Government that Japanese fishing-boats were angling in Chinese waters and asked for the Chinese Navy's assistance.

SCAP officials admitted that several Japanese fishing boats

## Why Adjeng Was The Hangman

Batavia, Aug. 26.  
A self-confessed murderer, by name of Adjeng, tonight told a mass conference that he had committed murders against his "enemies" because President Sukarno in his radio speech proclaiming the Indonesian Republic on August 17, 1945, had said the enemies should be killed, according to the Dutch news agency ANETA.

Adjeng said he had murdered "spies" irrespective of their race with sword, pistol or knife. He could not remember the exact details.

A small gang of which he was second in command called him the "hangman" because when what they considered spies were taken from their houses at Batavia and other places, Adjeng delivered the verdict of whether they must be killed or other action was to be taken.

He did not reveal what other action was but gave the impression that the fate of the victims was generally death.

Originally, Adjeng was a musician in a local krontjong (native band) orchestra. He was born in Buitenzorg, near Batavia, and is 32 years old. He was arrested 10 days ago by the Dutch military on information from Batavians who knew him in the old days.—United Press.

## FILM MAN HELD AFTER TRAIN CRASH IN BERLIN

Berlin, Aug. 26.  
A train fire fatal to 27 persons brought the arrest of a film operator on Monday on charges of violating regulations concerning the transport of film.

More than 46 passengers were injured as the flames swept an over-crowded coach. The fire occurred on Saturday on a suburban train in the Russian zone, north of Berlin.—Associated Press.

Promoter Jack Solomon announced today that he had signed Dado Marino of Honolulu and Rinty Monaghan of Belfast for the world's flyweight title fight at Harringay Arena on October 29. Sam Ichinose, manager of Marino, signed today after extended negotiations.—United Press.

## Filipino Huks "Linked" With Chinese Reds

Manila, Aug. 26.  
The Manila "Evening News" today reported that definite evidence linking the Hukbalahap armed peasant movement with the Chinese Communist movement in China has been furnished by a Chinese who formerly held the rank of Colonel in the dissident forces.

The Colonel, whose name was not released, "for security reasons," was said to have supplied the Department of the Interior with names of leaders among a group of 400 active Chinese Communists operating in Manila and the Central Luzon Provinces.

The informant, who returned from Nanking where he attended the National Assembly, said pictures of the Huk leader, Luis Taruc, and Huk literature were being circulated regularly in Communist papers in China.

New reports of clashes be-

## Paris To Cut Light, Food

Paris, Aug. 26.  
Parisians saw signs of another hard winter ahead in newspaper reports today that there would be electricity cuts at the end of October and a further reduction soon in the daily bread ration from 250 grammes.

Paris newspapers explained that French industry was absorbing all the increased power production while the wheat harvest, according to the Ministry of Agriculture, was not as big as had been hoped for.—Reuter.

Consular Vote  
A joint Austro-Chinese resolution that the Consuls at present in Indonesia supervise the "cease fire" order was passed by seven votes in favour, none against, and Britain, Poland, Russia and Colombia abstaining.

The Council adopted the U.S. proposal by eight votes for none against and three abstentions.

Communiqué  
Indonesian and Dutch military headquarters on Monday night reported heavy fighting in the area south of Salatiga, 30 miles north of Jogjakarta, and the closest Dutch approach to the Indonesian capital.

An Indonesian communiqué said the Dutch used tanks and armoured cars in a two-sided attack on Patemon, a village in the area of Tengaran, five miles south of Salatiga.

Two villages west of Patemon were occupied by Dutch troops. The Netherlands communiqué which announced its armed forces were starting "strong clearing actions" on all sectors against the Indonesians, said the Republic suffered many casualties in heavy exchanges of gunfire south of Salatiga.—Associated Press & Reuter.

PETROL CUTS IN SHANGHAI  
Shanghai, Aug. 26.  
Gasoline will be rationed here beginning on September 1st, the City Government decided yesterday.

The method employed will be by issuing permits to civilian owners of motor vehicles without which purchase is impossible. No service station is allowed gasoline without pouring it direct into the tanks of the vehicles, thus precluding hoarding.—United Press.

## Hungarian Liberty Leader Beaten Up

Budapest, Aug. 26.  
The Hungarian Independence Party announced today that its leader (Zoltan Pfeiffer) was beaten up by Communists at the Chongrad campaign meeting yesterday.

When a United Press Correspondent visited Pfeiffer at his home today, he lay in a darkened room.

He opened one eye for a moment and closed it as if in pain. The crowd allegedly responsible for the assault, were armed with bicycle pumps, drills and shovels.

A statement issued by the Independence Party said: "The gang trailed Pfeiffer and his companions and set upon them with bicycle pumps after the meeting was postponed. Two policemen rescued Pfeiffer from the mob."

"Keresztes, another Independence Party candidate, was attacked with drills and knocked to the ground and had his head stamped on."

"Pfeiffer himself was beaten on the head and body."

"He had to take shelter in the Town Hall and was refused entry by the Vice Mayor."

"Finally he entered a neighbouring house where he hid behind locked doors for an hour and a half before he was able to leave."

A physician said Pfeiffer was suffering from head and body bruises "as a result of being beaten with heavy instruments" but is not in a serious condition.—United Press.

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## The Weather

A typhoon centred about 600 miles ENE of Manila is moving NW and there are indications of a depression forming E of the Paracel. Pressure is relatively high over the East Indies and a weak anticyclone covers NW Japan and the Yellow Sea.

Today's Forecast:—Light to moderate E winds, fair.

Yesterday's Weather:—Maximum 95.0 deg. Fah. Minimum 78.0 deg. Fah. Humidity 78.0 per cent. Rainfall Nil. Total since Jan. 1, 1947, 10.0 inches. Wind direction 100 to 120 mph. Wind force 11 to 15 knots.



## GUNMAN MISSED OUT IN FIGHT WITH POLICE

Twelve years' imprisonment with hard labour and 20 strokes of the cane was the sentence passed by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Pulse Judge) on To Ming-fai alias To Lau, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

To Ming-fai, alias To Lau, who had already pleaded guilty to two charges of possession of arms and ammunition and two charges of armed robbery, was found guilty by a jury on a charge of shooting at S/I D.E. Satter with intent to evade arrest.

To Shek, who was charged with To Ming-fai, with being an accessory after the shooting and misprision of felony, was found guilty and sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour. To Shek, who was recommended to leniency by the jury, was released in smiles after the sentence had been interpreted.

Wong Lai alias Tai Ku Leung, who was charged with possession

of arms and ammunition, was found not guilty and discharged.

### "Breezes"

The closing address by Mr. Bernacchi, who appeared for Wong Lai, was punctuated with frequent "breezes" between himself and Mr. Clifford, Crown Counsel, it being the contention of Mr. Bernacchi that Mr. Clifford had no right to interrupt him in the middle of his address.

The case for the Crown was conducted by Mr. A.J. Clifford, assisted by DSI Dowman.

The third accused was represented by Mr. B.A. Bernacchi instructed by Mr. Sydney Ng Quinn, while the other accused were not legally represented.

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## Tattoo Man Took Poison In Cell

London, Aug. 26. Police officials said on Monday that John Henry Cole, the "Tattooed Man", charged with rape and robbery, during investigation of a series of after dark attacks on London girls, had taken poison in his cell and was too ill to appear for trial.

Disclosure of the poison attempt came in Greenwich court where the 28-year-old electrician was due to appear on a charge of raping and robbing a Lewis-ham girl.

When Cole's name was called for trial, Chief Inspector Robert Fabian told the Magistrate, Mr. Maddocks, that Cole was found ill in his cell at 0430 on Monday and that he was "suffering from the effect of taking some drug."

The police said that Cole appeared to be recovering.—Associated Press.

## "Slap-Happy" Was Hanged At Dawn

"Slap Happy" was hanged at dawn yesterday in Stanley Prison.

Inouye Kanao, 30-year-old Canadian-born Japanese, was twice sentenced to death—first by a War Crimes Tribunal and again by Supreme Court Judge Sir Henry Blackall for treason.

The first death sentence was quashed after it was found that "Slap Happy" was a Canadian subject, appeal against the death penalty, and on August 11 it ruled that it had no jurisdiction to hear his application for leave to appeal to the Privy Council.

Inouye was nicknamed "Slap Happy" by internees in the Shamshulpo POW camp during the war.

He was an interpreter in the Japanese gendarmerie. He faced a War Crimes Tribunal on three charges of violating the laws and usages of war, assaulting POWs, and ill-treating civilian residents under arrest (resulting in the death of three persons and physical suffering to many others).

A verdict of judicial hanging was recorded at the inquest yesterday into Inouye's death.

## MARINE COURT CONSIDERS "THE CASE OF THE ORANGES"

A special session of the Marine Court was held yesterday afternoon to hear a charge of disobedience to a lawful command at sea, made by Captain William Douglas Wilson, master of the Victualling Store Issuing Ship "Fort Beauharnois," against the Refrigerating Engineer J. Meyer.

The charge was that the defendant, on August 5, at Kure, (Japan) disobeyed a command given to him by his superior, Chief Engineer Robert Patterson.

He entered the Refrigerating Chamber No. 3 of the vessel without the knowledge and permission of the Victualling Store Officer.

The Court was presided over by Marine Magistrate Neil Garland, Captain Wilson was represented by Mr. B.D. Evans, and Mr. A.S.C. Cumber appeared for defendant.

The proceedings opened with legal arguments by counsel on whether the Court had jurisdiction in the case under the Merchant Shipping Act 1894 and the Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Ordinance.

The Court eventually ruled that it had jurisdiction.

Captain's Story  
Captain Wilson said that a report was made to him on August 5, while the ship was at Kure.

He held an enquiry the next day in his room when the Chief Engineer, the Victualling Store Officer, the Storehouseman and Meyer were present.

The report was that Meyer had, without permission, entered Chamber No. 3.

Meyer admitted he had been into the chamber; but he said he went in to switch out the light.

When he was told the switch was outside the door, he made no reply.

A log entry of the enquiry was then read out in which Meyer was said to have left the chamber with a couple of oranges in his pocket.

Cross-examined by defence counsel, Captain Wilson admitted that Meyer had tendered his resignation owing to a reported difference with the Chief Engineer. His resignation was not accepted.

Chief Engineer Robert Patterson, the next witness, said the Victualling Store Officer was in charge of the refrigerating chambers and held the keys.

No one was allowed to enter those chambers without permission.

"All Locked"  
Henry James Moody, Victualling Store Officer, said he was in charge of the receipt, issue and custody of Admiralty victualling stores on board.

The chambers were always kept locked and the keys were kept by an inspector named Clayphan who had since left the ship.

He issued them to the storehouseman. Defendant was not given permission to enter chamber No. 3 on August 5.

## Seven-Day Service Gate Crashed

Gate crashing was the order of the evening for a record crowd, estimated at 60,000, which streamed into the South China Athletic Association Ground at Caroline Hill to see the Fireworks Display and Ceremony of Special Communal Worship for World Dead, held under the auspices of The Tung Wah Group of Hospitals.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham and Lady Grantham and other distinguished guests attended the display and were accommodated in the centre of the playing field.

Chief Buddhist Abbot Hui Wan was introduced to His Excellency the Governor and party.

The crowds, impatient to gain admittance to the grounds, repeatedly rushed the gates, which were forced open, despite the efforts of a handful of policemen and ground officials.

Women and children, who were forced forward by the surging crowds, were pushed to the ground and partly trampled on.

Many children, separated from their elders in the mad onrush, started screaming with fright and added to this general noise and confusion.

Fences were torn down and the unruly crowds swarmed into the ground from different points.

One of the gate officials estimated that no less than \$25,000 in gate money was lost as a result of the gate crashing.

Thousands of eager sightseers also swarmed the slopes of Caroline Hill and as they groped about in the dark with the aid of torches and lighted matches, they gave the impression of glow worms on the march.

The grounds were brightly lighted for the occasion and the huge Chinese Memorial Arch, built over the main entrance, as well as the miniature pagoda, presented a picturesque sight.

The fireworks display, which commenced after the arrival of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Grantham, was one of the best displays ever to be seen in Hong Kong and was very favourably commented upon by all present.

His Excellency and party left shortly after 10 p.m.

Those Present  
Among those present at the display were: Sir Henry and Lady Blackall, Mr. Justice E. H. Williams and Mr. Williams, Mr. Justice T.Z. Guld and Mr. Gould, Mr. D.M. McDougall, Mr. T. Meagray, Mr. and Mrs. D.W. Macintosh, Mr. and Mrs. B.C.K. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. H.J. Crutwell, Mr. and Mrs. P. Selwick, Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. F.H. Fell, Mr. Robert Ho Tung, Mr. Shouson Chow, Mr. and Mrs. C.T. Hyatt, Mr. H.W. Fraser, Mr. Q.A.A. Macfarlane, Major H. Chavrier, Mr. K. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. K.M.A. Barnett, Mr. M.K. Clinton, Mr. A. Todd, Mr. H.R. Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. P. Selwick, Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. W.P. Thompson, Mr. W. la B. Sparrow, Mr. and Mrs. J. Rine, Mr. and Mrs. C.G.E. Follows, Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. L.R. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. K. Keen, Mr. and Mrs. T.R. Rowell, Mr. and Mrs. W. Mel. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. E.I. Wynne-Jones, Commander Jolly, Mr. and Mrs. E. Himmeworth, Mr. J. B. Trevor, Dr. and Mrs. G.H. Thomas, Mr. D.F. Laidlaw, Mr. and Mrs. Leo d'Almeida, Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Gillespie, Mr. M.M. Watson, Mr. A. Moore, Mr. J.A.D. Morrison, Mr. T.F. Law, Mr. U. Wan, Mr. Lee Ming-chak and Mr. J. Cater.

## TENANT HAD SUB-TENANT IN HER BATHROOM

Admitting four summonses in respect of breach of Sections 8 (1) a, and 11 (1,2,3), of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance 25 of 1947, taken out against her by Sub-Inspector Wheeler, Lau Ying, married woman, was fined \$1,750, or 12 months' hard labour, by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

The summonses alleged that she, being principal tenant of 5, Lai Chi Kok Road, second floor, received from Cheung Benn \$47 as rent for a cubicle in May, failed to notify, in writing, Cheung Benn, the part of the standard rent payable by him in respect of the cubicle, failed to give a receipt for the rent, and failed to furnish her landlord, Mrs. Doris Mann, with a full and true statement showing the names of all sub-tenants with particulars of the parts of the premises occupied by them and of the standard and gross rent payable by each of them.

According to S/I Wheeler, after a complaint by Cheung Benn, the Police measured the flat and found that the principal tenant occupied 271 square feet of space.

In Bathroom  
The first sub-tenant, Li Ping, occupied the bathroom which measured 66 square feet; the second sub-tenant, Cheung Chun, 56 square feet; and Cheung Benn, 75 square feet. The passageway, measuring 25 square feet, was used by all occupants as were the verandah (160 square feet) and a covered staircase leading to the communal kitchen measuring 3 feet by 7 feet 6 inches.

Some time in August, continued S/I Wheeler, the sub-tenants found that defendant only paid \$38 to Mrs. Doris Mann as rent, which sum was the standard rent for 1941.

On July 1, the rent was increased by the 30 percent, allowed by the Ordinance. Although the new rental could have been \$49, the landlord accepted the sum of \$43 which was paid to her.

The sub-tenants, added S/I Wheeler, had been in occupation since the beginning of this year, and the rents paid by them in respect of their cubicles were \$32 by Li Ping, \$55 by Cheung Chun, and \$47 by Cheung Benn. The defendant, said S/I Wheeler, paid for electricity which amounted to about \$9 per month.

No receipts had been given to any of the sub-tenants nor were they ever notified, in writing, of the amount of the standard rent payable by them. They all stated that the rent was verbally agreed upon when they entered into occupation.

"No Notice"  
Mrs. Doris Mann, continued S/I Wheeler, has never received any written notice from defendant as to who were living on the premises.

Rent receipts were issued by Mrs. Mann to the defendant monthly.

S/I Wheeler asked the court to take a serious view of the case and to issue an order for the eviction of accused from the premises. When it was the intention of the Police to proceed against the husband (who

## 25TH HAS AN HONOR PARTY

The first party given by the 25th Field Regiment at which His Excellency the Governor Sir Alexander Grantham was present, was held yesterday at Gun Club Hill, Kowloon, to celebrate "Le Cateau" Day.

Commemorating the anniversary of the famous World War I Victory, the party, from 6.30 to 8.00 p.m., honoured members of Hong Kong's Armed Forces.

Among those present were: Admiral Sir Denis Boyd, Commander in Chief British Pacific Fleet, General Erskine, General Officer Commanding Hong Kong, and Air Commodore Webster, Royal Air Force Hong Kong.

Music for the occasion was provided by the Royal Marine Band.

## SUB-INSPECTOR RECOVERS

Traffic Sub-Inspector R. F. Bell, who was admitted to Kowloon Hospital shortly after noon on Saturday suffering from a suspected fractured spine, was discharged from hospital yesterday, and was expected to resume work this morning.

It will be recalled that S/I Bell was testing a learner-driver at King's Park when the car was reversed against an embankment, giving the Police officer a violent jolt.

The preliminary fears that the Inspector might be suffering from a fractured spine were allayed by later, and more thorough, examinations and X-ray photos.

## WAR MEMORIAL FUND

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## Wedding

### Runyon—Price

Miss Barbara Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest B. Price, and Mr. E. Runyon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. Runyon, of Plains City, Ohio, were married by special licence in the Cathedral yesterday afternoon. Dean Rose officiated.

A reception was later held in the American Club. The honeymoon will be spent in Amoy.

### Athens, Aug. 25.

The Greek warship *Aheleou* arrived at Piraeus today with 650 deportees who were returned from internment on Ikaria Island, where they were taken during the recent Communist roundup. They were freed after questioning.—United Press.

## POOTUNG FIEND STILL PROWLs

Shanghai, Aug. 26. Terrified sampan dwellers on Souchow Creek kept a nightlong vigil from the banks and sampans last night with torches sending flickering lights across the smelly creek, where the boat dwellers believed that the Pootung monster was ready to snatch small children and claw their eyes out.

River and harbour police mounted extra guards along the creek which winds through Shanghai and paid the closest attention to strangers in the area because of the rumours that the "monster" may be out of an abduction gang. At the same time, a new report said that a dark shadow emerged from the water and tried to climb aboard a sampan.

The police, meanwhile, were afraid that the terrified sampan dwellers, who keep one guard awake in each sampan during the night, might attack an innocent person in the event of an incident. As they did, the unfortunate ally cat whose

flourishing in the water brought screams from nearby women.

The creek dwellers beat the poor beast with sticks, bamboo poles and threw stones and bricks until the boatmen caught the cat and swung it by the tail against the dock until it was dead.—United Press.

He was one of the oldest members of Lodge St. John, S.C., and a generous contributor to charitable appeals.

His widow, two sons, Leo and Emilio, and a daughter, Mrs. R.O. Hughes, survive him.

## Obituary

### Mr. Aaron ("Jimmy") Landau

Mr. Aaron Landau, better known as "Jimmy," of Jimmy's Kitchen, died at the Queen Mary Hospital yesterday, where he had been seriously ill for two or three weeks.

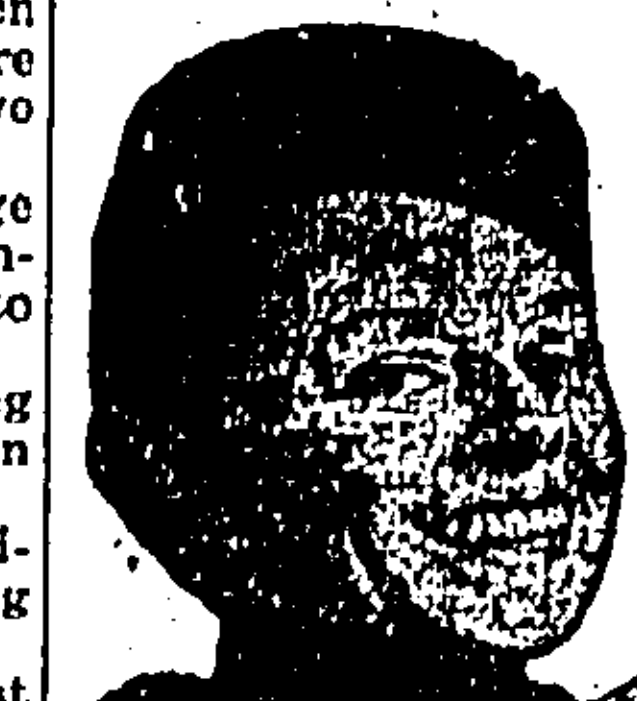
"Jimmy" was 77 years of age and maintained an active interest in his business up to the time of his last illness.

He resided in Hong Kong and the Far East for more than 40 years.

He was tortured and imprisoned by the Japanese during the Occupation.

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## Truce Called In Egypt

CAIRO, AUG. 25. LEADERS OF EGYPT'S MAIN POLITICAL PARTIES AND ORGANIZATIONS TODAY AGREED TO PRESERVE PEACE AND CALL OFF DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST THE CURRENT UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS ON EGYPT.

The leaders, who met the Acting Premier, Khushaba Pasha, in a four hour session, reserved the right to call off the agreement if the Security Council's decision goes against Egyptian aspirations.

Hassan El Banna, Moslem Brotherhood leader, promised to call off the Brotherhood demonstration scheduled for tomorrow. Banna called the Premier, Nokrashy Pasha, warning that the Brotherhood will go into action "if the Council acts against Egyptian independence."

Khushaba is to broadcast to the nation tonight to read a message from Banna and other leaders asking the people to remain quiet at present.—United Press.

## Sharp Rebuke To Russians In Korea

Seoul, Aug. 25. Advice to the Soviet delegation to the United States-Russian Commission on Korea to "avoid entanglement in Korean politics, particularly in support of parties hostile to the United States," was given today by Major-General Albert E. Brown, the chief American Commissioner.

Commenting on the objection raised by the Soviet delegation to the mass arrests of alleged "revolutionaries" in South Korea, General Brown declared that while the Soviets are the guests of the South Korean Government, they should "follow the normal dictates of common courtesy."

He said that the Americans would join with the Soviets in requesting the release of any individual needed by the Joint Committee for consultation, and added: "The American delegation also expects the Soviet delegation will join with it in producing certain individuals now under arrest in North Korea whom the American delegation is most anxious to consult."

General Brown declared that the Russians were attempting to "create a smokescreen to cover their blunder in refusing broad consultations."—Reuter.

## Mr. Bevin: Doubt About New York Trip

London, Aug. 25. Two factors will decide whether the Foreign Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, will personally attend the United Nations General Assembly meeting at Lake Success on September 16, as assumed with increasing frequency in despatches from Washington and New York.

They are the development of Britain's internal economic and governmental crises, and the possibility of a New York meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the United States, Britain, France and the Soviet Union.

It was arranged at the close of the Moscow meeting of the Big Four that a short meeting between them might be held in the United States if all four powers attended the General Assembly and if circumstances demanded a preliminary to the November meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers in London.

### "JANE"



London, Aug. 25.

Jews in many parts of the world were tonight obeying the "dire distress" call, sounded in Palestine, on the Shofar—biblical ram's horn—to begin a dawn to dusk fast.

The call was for a display of sympathy for the 4,400 Jewish refugees now on their way to Germany from the south of France and Palestine.

Beth Din, the ecclesiastical court of the Chief Rabbi in London, tonight decreed that Jews throughout the British Commonwealth and Empire should observe Thursday next as a day of prayer and fasting. The difference in date is because of the time taken to make the Beth Din decision known in the Dominions, and in the colonies, all of which come under the court's jurisdiction.

Forty-five thousand Jews in the north of England, fasting today in response to local decision, will be asked to do so again on Thursday to make the occasion nation-wide.

The court expects a high proportion of Britain's 360,000 Jews to go without food or drink from dawn till dusk on Thursday.

In Jerusalem, cinemas and all places of entertainment were closing down.

Thousands flocked to the synagogues.

### Hunger Strike

From Berlin came the news that Jewish relief and welfare centres in all sectors of the city responded to the appeal and a "sit-down" hunger strike in all offices and works.

Jewish illegal immigrants held in camps in Cyprus were participating in a 24-hour hunger strike to protest against the deportation of the immigrants.

A Reuter despatch from Kyrenia said that the Jews in the Cyprus camps are carrying out the hunger strike in an orderly manner, and that the Jews accepted their rations this morning, but it was understood that these would not be distributed until this evening.—Reuter.

## Appeal For Free Thought

Jerusalem, Aug. 25. The Palestine Journalists Association today petitioned Sir Alan Cunningham, High Commissioner in Palestine, for the release of Jewish journalists detained at Latroun on grounds of Revisionist Party membership.

The petition said: "These detentions have struck against freedom of thought and expression in Palestine and urged that detainees should either be prosecuted on specific charges or immediately released."

The Revisionist daily, Hamash-Kif, with nine staff members detained, reported that the newspaper had more newsmen behind bars than in the office.—United Press.

## Germans Who Didn't Want To Go

CAIRO, AUG. 25. ONE HUNDRED PRISONERS OF WAR WHO ESCAPED FROM THE BRITISH ARMY CONTROL AUTHORITIES IN EGYPT AND WERE BEING HELD BY THE EGYPTIANS AT ABBASSIA BARRACKS, CAIRO, STONED EGYPTIAN SOLDIERS WHO TRIED TO FORCE THEM INTO LORRIES TO RETURN THEM TO THE BRITISH IN THE SUEZ CANAL ZONE, IT WAS LEARNED TODAY.

One German tried to commit suicide by swallowing a spoon, another by swallowing a razor blade.

The prisoners were finally persuaded to enter the lorries by two nuns—one of them a sister of one of the Germans—from a Roman Catholic institution in Cairo.

For a time after the recent British withdrawal from Cairo and the Nile Delta, the Egyptians decided that they would retain captured prisoners themselves but they found the Germans awkward to handle, complaining whenever they thought the food and conditions below their desired standard.—Reuter.

## PEACE TREATY RATIFIED

Sofia, Aug. 25. The Bulgarian National Assembly today unanimously ratified the Bulgarian peace treaty with the Allies and associated powers.

A motion for approval was put to the Assembly by the Deputy Prime Minister, M. Georgiev, who expressed the nation's grief at its "unjust heavy political reparations, restrictions and economic clauses."—Reuter.

## No Trouble Expected In Hamburg

London, Aug. 26. Colonel Martin Gregson, commanding the British escort on board the Runnymede Park, said today that, according to information reaching him from all three Jewish refugee ships now on their way to Hamburg, the 4,400 illegal immigrants will disembark peacefully when they reach Hamburg.

Colonel Gregson said that the refugees on board the other two ships have so far not declared that they would refuse to disembark, adding that he felt that if one shipload landed quietly, the others would probably follow.

Meanwhile, as the fleet ploughed through calm sunny seas on the third day of its voyage from Port de Bouc, South France, to Hamburg, the emigrants began preparations to celebrate the Jewish New Year next week, ingeniously fashioning sacred horns and other ritual paraphernalia from scraps and packing cases at their disposal.

On board the Ocean Vigour, it was reported that groups of emigrants began rehearsing for various roles in the ceremonies. Emigrants on board the Runnymede Park still seemed as cheerful as the cramped conditions would allow.

### Cages Forward

Although the adults were largely restricted to cages forward, the children still had the run of the after decks and played and sang noisily in the bright sunshine. It was learned that the fleet will berth at a detached mole inside the Admiralty Harbour

## WEDEMMEYER PROVES A GREAT DISAPPOINTMENT

Nanking, Aug. 25. Lt.-Gen. Wedemeyer's sharp criticism of the present government of China appeared today to have greatly lessened his chances of becoming the next Ambassador to Nanking—a speculation which had been revived from time to time since the end of the war.

From Gen. Wedemeyer's arrival, there were almost daily predictions in Nanking that Gen. Wedemeyer would be appointed Ambassador to implement a changed United States policy toward China.

Observers believe Gen. Wedemeyer did not accept the post since he believed China would not welcome the appointment since he appeared to have changed from the time when he was considered a staunch friend of the Kuomintang.

Chinese circles recalled that Gen. Wedemeyer in replacing Gen. Joseph Stilwell applied a salve to bruises inflicted on the Chinese Government by the crusty jungle fighter, and this was hailed as the best possible of omens.

The general belief now is that Gen. Wedemeyer is as severe a critic of the Kuomintang as Gen. Stilwell himself and Chinese officials from the Generalissimo down appear stunned by his reversal.

The shock is largely due to the fact that most Chinese—and many foreigners as well—suspected initially that Gen. Wedemeyer was not on a "fact-finding" mission. The fact-finding aspect was seriously interpreted as a prelude to an announcement of an aid policy already decided in Washington or as a smoke screen for new negotiations with the Chinese Government.

As it became clear that Gen. Wedemeyer was really searching for facts, and was not entirely pleased with what he found, Chinese enthusiasm began to cool markedly.

Gen. Wedemeyer's letter to a group of Chinese students rapping them for seeking to go abroad instead of remaining at home to aid their country was regarded as a straw in the wind. His pre-departure statement was in Chinese eyes not a straw, but a brickbat.

### CALLED OFF

Milan, Aug. 25. The Brescia general strike called on Friday against the dismissal of 21 workers alleged to have been responsible for acts of violence against their managers, ended peacefully today in an agreement for the reinstatement of the men pending an enquiry.—Reuter.

### EXPRESS SMASH

Naples, Aug. 25. Three men and a woman were killed and upwards of 30 injured when a passenger express was derailed near Caserta, south of here, in the mountains. Rescuers are having trouble reaching the area.—United Press.

## "No War Danger"

Prague, Aug. 25. M. Klement Gottwald, the Communist Premier of Czechoslovakia, told a party meeting at Brno that the real danger for the future generations was only in Germany "and in a policy which aims at the revival of German imperialism."

"All decent people in the world should stand up against such a policy," he said. "There is no danger of war because there exists no Government in the world that will lead its people to war and there is no nation who wishes war."—Reuter.

## NAZI ACCUSED TRIES SUICIDE

Nuremberg, Aug. 25. Dr. Kurt Rothenberger, 51-year-old former Deputy President of the Academy of Nazi German law, now on trial with other Nazi lawyers for crimes against humanity, attempted to commit suicide in his cell in Nuremberg prison early today. He severed an artery of his left hand with a razor smuggled into the cell and was rushed to hospital. He is now out of danger.—Reuter.

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BY ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR OF DISPOSALS FAR  
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Evaporating & Distilling Plant, Cast Iron Valves, Sea Anchors,  
Sails & Rigging, Screens, Windfalls, Lights for Lifejackets and  
Waistcoats, Forks, Knives, Spoons, Pepper Containers, Butter  
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will be held on  
Thursday, the 26th day of  
September, 1947, at noon, in the  
Board Room of the Company,  
FOURTH FLOOR, EXCHANGE  
BUILDING, HONG KONG, for  
the purpose of receiving a  
Statement of Accounts and the  
Report of the Board of Directors,  
for the financial year ended 31st  
December, 1946, and re-electing  
two Directors and the Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the  
Company will be closed from the  
12th September to the 25th  
September, 1947, both days in-  
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Dated this 26th day of August,  
1947.

By Order of the Board,  
S. GROVE,  
Secretary.

14, Des Voeux Road, Central,  
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## HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that  
the Board of Directors have  
made a second and third call of  
\$2.50 per share each on the  
holders of the Partly Paid-up  
shares in this Company. Both  
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poration, Hong Kong, the second  
call on or before 18th October  
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By Order of the Board,  
S. GROVE,  
Secretary.

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the Colony of Hong Kong, on  
Wednesday, the 24th September,  
1947, at 12 Noon, for the pur-  
pose of considering and if  
thought fit passing as a Special  
Resolution that is to say:—

That the Company be wound  
up voluntarily and that David  
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Marwick, Mitchell & Co., Ex-  
change Building, Victoria, in the  
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appointed Liquidator for the  
purpose of such winding-up.

Dated this 26th day of  
August, 1947.

By order of the Board,  
F. C. BARRY,  
Secretary.

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of whom further particulars can be obtained.

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# VIRTUAL STATE OF WAR ON PUNJAB FRONTIER

## Attack On General De Gaulle

Paris, Aug. 26.  
Attacks on General Charles  
de Gaulle by leading members  
of the Popular Republican  
Party (MRP) in weekend  
speeches were featured in a  
front page lead story today by  
"France Soir," the independent  
moderate Paris evening paper.

General de Gaulle's declara-  
tion today that RPF (the  
French People's Rally) would  
run candidates throughout  
France at the October munici-  
pal elections—which was his  
personal confirmation of the  
Rally announcement last week—  
made a headline news in  
other evening papers with the  
exception of the Communists.  
"Ce Soir," which played it  
down as a filler item.

"France Soir," summarizing  
General de Gaulle's declaration,  
printed in back type extracts  
from speeches by M. Maurice  
Schumann, MRP Deputy, who  
was reported as saying that it  
was all very well for General  
de Gaulle to criticise the rela-  
tive powerlessness of the in-  
stitutions of the Fourth Repub-  
lic, but it would be still better  
not to aggravate that ineffec-  
tiveness by adding his efforts  
to those of the Communists in  
a converging movement of  
systematic disparagement.

MRP would never agree, M.  
Schumann said, to be deceived  
into a game which could only  
split the Republican forces  
"especially when we face the  
risk of new austerities such as  
Eng and herself has not escap-  
ed."—Reuter.

**TWO-THIRDS  
MAJORITY**  
Quintanilha, Aug. 26.  
An all nation committee of the  
Inter-American conference re-  
jected an Argentine proposal re-  
quiring unanimous decision in  
Joint hemispheric action against  
armed aggression and adopted in-  
stead a two-thirds majority rule.

Argentina cast the only affirma-  
tive vote. Representatives of three  
nations were absent.—Associated  
Press.

**LADY SHAWCROSS  
FINED**  
Bromley, Aug. 26.  
The local police court today  
fined Lady Shawcross, wife of the  
Attorney General, Sir Hartley  
Shawcross, £2 for speeding.—  
United Press.

**New Delhi Flare-Up**  
New Delhi, Aug. 26.  
Four persons were stabbed to  
death on Monday in the first  
communal rioting to flare in New  
Delhi since last Spring, while  
Hindu-Sikh and Moslem groups  
continued their bloody warfare  
in the Indian and Pakistan areas  
of the Punjab.

The riot in the capital occurred  
at a cloth mill, where Hindu and  
Moslem workers clashed as a  
new shift was coming on.

All the fatalities were Moslems.  
The police said that seven others  
were injured.

A curfew requiring all but au-  
thorised citizens to remain in  
their houses was imposed imme-  
diately.

Authorities issued a stern warn-  
ing to refugees from the Punjab  
trouble areas, now officially est-

**Korean Question  
May Go To UNO**

Washington, Aug. 25.  
An authoritative source today reported that senti-  
ment is growing in "some official quarters" for  
throwing the Korean question, over which the  
United States and Russia have been deadlock-  
ed for more than a year, into the United Na-  
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New Delhi, Aug. 25.  
A virtual state of war is reported on the Punjab  
frontier between Pakistan and India, with  
both Moslems and Sikhs ravaging the country-  
side.

The number of casualties in the new outbreaks  
cannot be ascertained.

Most communications with  
the region are severed. The  
worst trouble spot is the region  
halfway between Lahore and  
Amritsar, on the Pakistan-Indian  
frontier. Armed raiding  
bands are attacking Sikh and  
Hindu villages inside India.  
Some 12 to 15 villages are re-  
portedly to have been evacu-  
ated as a result of the Moslem  
attacks.

The Pakistan authorities al-  
low Moslems to own arms,  
whereas the Indian authorities  
have not yet abolished the pre-  
independence ban on possession  
of arms without a licence.

The military escort accom-  
panying the Indian Defence  
Minister, Mr. Baldev Singh, on  
a tour of the trouble areas  
was forced to open fire on raid-  
ers between Lahore and Amrit-  
sar yesterday. Several were  
killed, but none of Mr. Baldev  
Singh's party was injured.

Mr. Gurbachan Singh, Sikh  
member of the Punjab Legisla-  
tive Assembly, saved his life  
by swimming the Ravi river  
near Narowal in the Sialkote  
district. He met Mr. Baldev  
Singh's party, wearing only his  
underclothes.

The Joint Punjab Defence  
Council today heard Mr. Baldev  
Singh's story of his trip  
through the area. Another  
meeting is scheduled for Wed-  
nesday, when the Pakistan  
Minister, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan,  
will be present.

The Constituent Assembly ob-  
served a minute of silent prayer  
for riot victims. Refugees re-  
ported 3,500 killed in the Pakistan  
city of Sialkote, where Sikh  
shrines were burned and the  
Moslems pre-empted Hindu tem-  
ples for their religious rites.—  
United Press.

**Yenan Attack On  
Wedemeyer  
Mission**  
San Francisco, Aug. 26.  
The Chinese Communist radio  
on Monday violently attacked  
the Wedemeyer Mission and  
American policy in China.

It alleged the United States  
had obtained a series of military  
bases covering all China and the  
island of Formosa to fit into an  
American "programme of expan-  
sion and aggression."

The broadcast alleged, without  
any supporting evidence, that the  
United States had obtained bases  
at Taipei and Keelung, on For-  
mosa, had been promised another  
base on Formosa for naval and  
air use, and mainland bases at  
Taingtiao, Tihwa, Lanchow, Tien-  
shun, Sian, (Sinkiang) and  
Chengtu.

It said Generalissimo Chiang  
Kai-shek "may also give away  
Canton."

It compared Wedemeyer un-  
favourably with the onetime Ja-  
panese agent, General Kenji  
Doihara, and said he had obtain-  
ed from Chiang concessions that  
"far exceeded the infamous 21  
Demands of Japanese Imperial-  
ism."—Associated Press.

**International  
Control Of  
Agriculture**  
Geneva, Aug. 25.  
The United Nations Food and  
Agricultural Organisation Con-  
ference, which opened here to-  
day, unanimously elected as  
chairman Dr. Fritz T. Wahlen,  
Swiss agriculturist who played a  
prominent part in Switzerland's  
food organisation during the war.

Dr. Ping-wei Tsao of China,  
Dr. P. A. V. Ljoen of South  
Africa, and Mahmoud Zaki Bey  
of Egypt were elected Vice-Chair-  
men of the Conference.

Mr. F. W. Bulcock, the Aus-  
tralian Director-General of Agricul-  
ture said that this Conference  
was FAO's "great chance."



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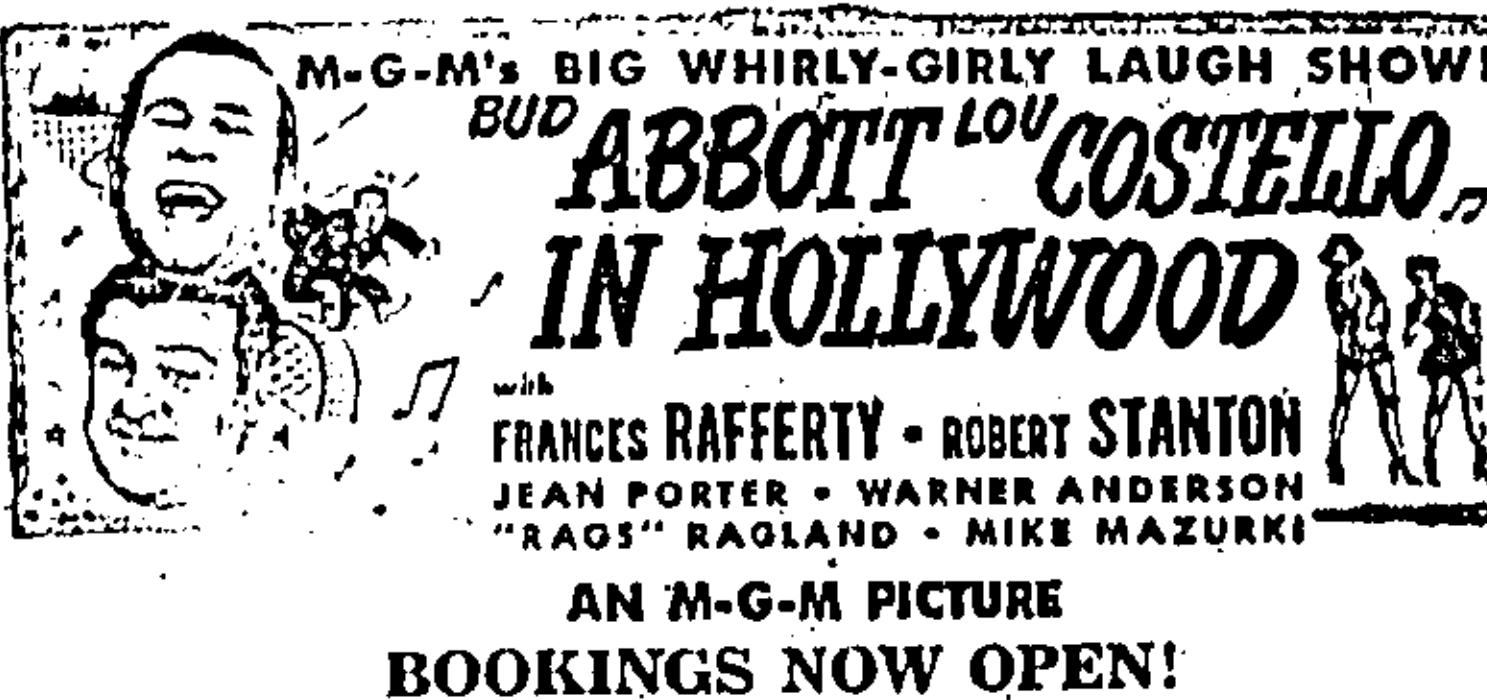
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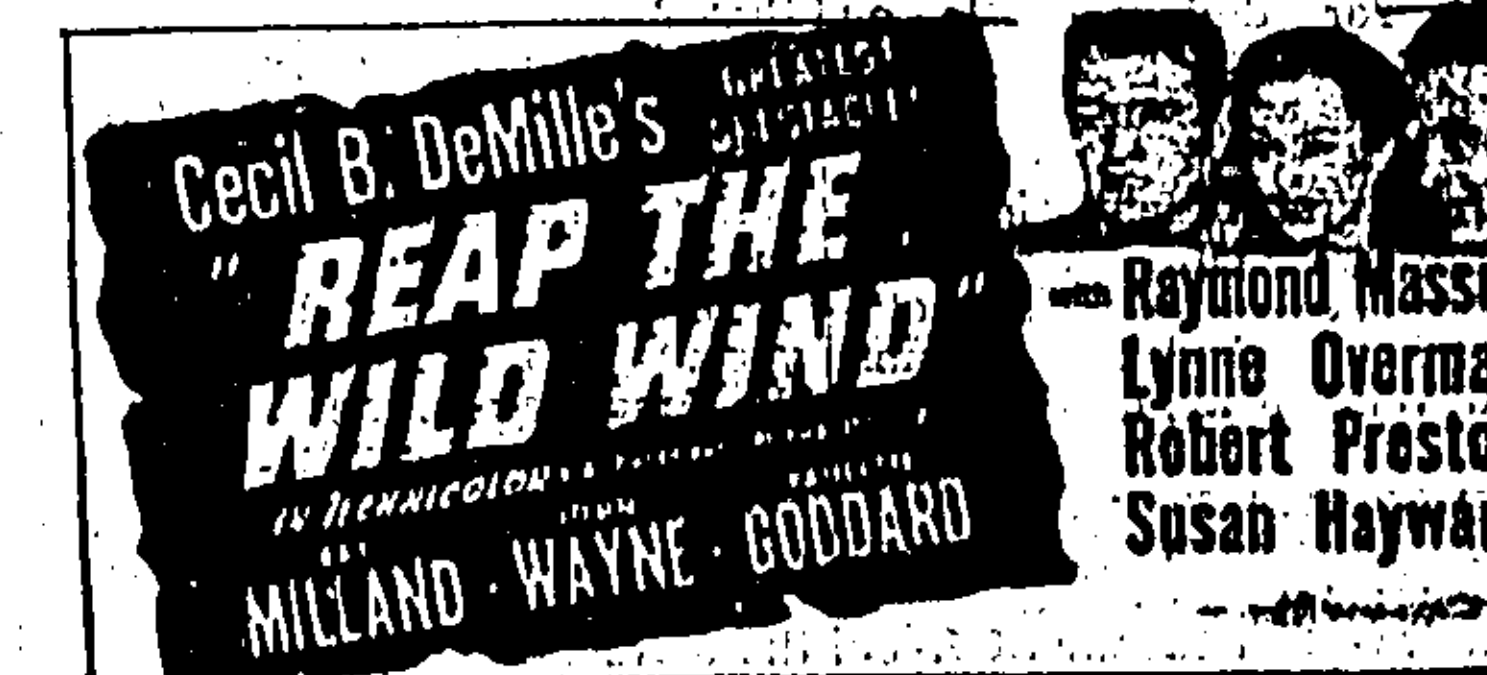
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## 3 Ladies Were In His Life

Three ladies entered the life of Tam Sang, 22, at 12 noon on Aug. 25. The result was he was sentenced to nine months' gaol, plus ten strokes of the cane from Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

According to Inspector J. O'Connell, Tam followed Mrs. E. Xavier in Austin Road near Austin Avenue. She was wearing a gold chain to which was attached a gold cross. Tam went up to Mrs. Xavier from behind and pulled the chain and cross off her neck, breaking the chain in the process.

He tried to escape but Mrs. Xavier and Mrs. Forster, who were nearby and heard Mrs. Xavier's cries, promptly crossed Tam's path and held on to him.

## Larceny By Trick

Convicted of larceny by trick, Lee Choi, 42, unemployed, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and recommended for banishment by Mr. F. X. d'Almada yesterday.

Prosecuting Inspector Bravins stated that at about 1.30 p.m. on August 19, Mrs. Thomas Tam was driving her car along Des Voeux Road Central and came to a stop alongside the curb.

She was accosted by Lee, who asked her "she was going to Tsim Sha Tsui, to which Mrs. Thomas Tam replied, "No." As she turned her head to make the reply, two other persons snatched her handbag from the left side seat of her car.

The bag contained \$160, a gold handbag, one Biko pen and various other articles.

The following day, Mrs. Tam received a letter in Chinese containing her driving licence and lost papers.

About 10.00 a.m. on August 25, Lee was seen by Mrs.

## 2 MEN WANTED TO RENT LAND FOR A HUT

Ma Kam-shun (29), unemployed, and Choi Fan, 29-year-old firewood dealer, both residing at 128 Tam Kung Road, ground floor, wanted to rent a piece of ground, registered as Kowloon Inland Lot 2305, for the purpose of erecting a hut.

Hui Sai-hing, 40, broker, got to hear about it.

He promptly approached Ma and told him that he was in a position to obtain the ground.

Negotiations were commenced and, after some haggling, an agreement was reached that Ma should pay Hui \$25 as annual rent for the land, \$30 for "tea-money," and \$25 for the plans of the hut.

## "Success"

When Choi got to hear of his friend's "success," he asked to be introduced to Hui.

He also arrived at an agreement with broker Hui whereby he paid \$75 for rent, \$75 for "tea-money," and \$13 for the plans of the hut.

Hui gave both men a "receipt." Ma and Choi began to level the piece of land, preparatory to erecting the hut.

Imagine their indignation when the bona fide lessee asked them what they were doing on his land.

Ma and Choi set out in search of their "benefactor" and found Hui in Kowloon City.

After they had given vent to their feelings, they hauled Hui to the Kowloon City Police Station.

The facts were related to Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr by Detective Sub-Inspector H. T. Matches yesterday when he charged Hui with obtaining by false pretences \$80 from Ma and \$163 from Choi.

Hui received concurrent sentences of six months' hard labour on each charge.

Thomas Tam in Queen's Road Central. A policeman was summoned and defendant was arrested.

None of the property had been recovered and defendant gave the police no assistance in the search for his confederates.

## GUNMAN MISSED OUT IN FIGHT WITH POLICE

(Continued from Page 2)

Outlining the case for the prosecution, Mr. Clifford said that S/I Salter and a party from the Emergency Unit were on search duty at the Shamshulpo Ferry Wharf, Peiho Street, on the night of June 25.

At about 9.40 p.m. as first accused was leaving the ferry, he was stopped by PC Kikaboy (3391) and seen to put his hand to his grille. Kikaboy immediately grappled with him, but was knocked down.

The incident was witnessed by another member of the search party, who warned his comrades that first accused was armed.

First accused ran out of the wharf into Peiho Street and was pursued by S/I Salter and other policemen. He turned in his tracks and fired at S/I Salter and the others.

A running gun battle ensued and first accused eventually shook off his pursuers.

On information, the police subsequently arrested him in a hut in Li Lik Village.

S/I D.E. Salter said that on June 25, he was in charge of a party searching passengers coming off the Shamshulpo ferry.

At about 9.40 p.m. he saw first accused jump down three steps and stumble. As first accused picked himself up and ran, one of the constables on duty shouted "He's got a gun."

On his gaining a lead of about 30 feet, first accused turned round and fired his revolver. He returned the fire.

At the corner of Peiho Street and Hailan Street, another exchange of shots took place. The chase continued down Hailan Street, further shots being fired by the police.

Witnesses were forced to discontinue firing because his revolver was empty. He lost sight of first accused in an alley turning off Ki Lung Street.

After further evidence by Crown witnesses, the case for the prosecution was closed.

To Ming-fai alias To Lou, first accused, said he had no intention of shooting anyone. He did not fire his revolver because he was already wounded. He took refuge in a demolished house, where he remained till the following day.

To Shek, second accused, said first accused did not tell him anything about the exchange of shots with the police. He only knew first accused was wounded when the latter took off his coat. First accused said he had been wounded by the police, who regarded him as a suspect.

When pressed by Mr. Clifford why he did not seek further information regarding the wound, To Shek said: "I am a fool and did not think of it."

## "No Wisdom"

To Shek maintained that as a farmer and a peasant, he did not possess the wisdom to intelligently question first accused regarding the wound received.

Wong Lai, third accused, said that she was the principal tenant of 57 Wing Lok Street.

First accused was her sweetheart and had been living with her about a year. He visited her once a week or once in every ten days. He told her he was a travelling trader.

Some time in June, he brought a box to her house and placed it under the stairway.

When she asked him for expenses, he told her there was \$200 inside the box. She did not know if there was anything else in the box.

She last saw first accused about a fortnight before the visit of the police to her house.

## Drive On Kai Tak Thefts

"I intend to take a very serious view of cases of larceny from Kai Tak Airfield," Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr said at Kowloon yesterday.

He imposed the maximum sentence of two years' hard labour on Hau Kam-chuen on charges of store-breaking and larceny from HMS "Flycatcher."

Wong Kau, 36, was sent down for eight months' hard labour on a receiving charge.

It was stated by Detective Inspector Kenneth C.Y. Shu that first defendant broke into a storeroom between midnight, Aug. 18, and 8 a.m. the following day, and stole an electric fan and a box of tools.

When arrested at 9.30 p.m. on Aug. 22 by PCC 733, Hau took the Police to a tenhouse at 38 Nga Tsin Wai Road where he pointed out second accused as the man who bought the fan from him.

Wong, in turn, took the Police to the Sing Kwong Electric Shop where the fan was found.

## Money Market

Gold continued its spiral yesterday and touched \$383 a tael after opening at \$375. Towards the close it eased off to \$377.

Plaster, after opening at \$15.10 a 100, fell back to \$14.92 1/2. It recovered to \$14.92 1/2 at the close.

Chinese National Currency lost its firmness for the first time in a week, reportedly due to the Wedemeyer statement.

It fell back to 12.95 cents for futures and 14 cents for spot (for C\$1,000).

U.S. dollars took the market by surprise by jumping to \$5.40. The closing rate the previous day was \$5.17.

Sterling on the other hand made a big slide-back to \$13.50. Australian pounds were unchanged at \$12.63.

## RADIO

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12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.  
12.32 p.m.—Duke Ellington and His Orchestra.  
12.47 p.m.—Gracie Fields (Comedienne).  
1.00 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.10 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.  
1.15 p.m.—Harold Williams (Baritone) and the B.B.C. Male Chorus.  
1.30 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: "London Radio Orchestra."  
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.  
6.30 p.m.—Studio: Children's Half-Hour.  
6.35 p.m.—Lon Producer & His Orchestra and Rudy Starlin (Saxophone).  
7.00 p.m.—"Star Time."  
7.30 p.m.—"Nymphs and Shepherds"—A Pastoral Scene.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay: World News.  
8.10 p.m.—London Relay: Home News from Britain.  
8.15 p.m.—Studio: "I Bring You Music". Classical Request Programme presented by Marion Glover.

9.15 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: "The Brain Trust."  
10.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.  
10.10 p.m.—Weather Report.  
10.11 p.m.—Recital by Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano) and Fritz Kreisler (Violin).  
10.30 p.m.—"Tears of Not-So-Long-Ago" (For Dancing).  
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

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### DEATH

LANDAU.—At the Queen Mary Hospital, on Tuesday, 26th August, 1947, at 10.45 a.m., Anson Landau, late proprietor of Jimmy's Kitchen, aged 77 years. Shanghai and Singapore papers please copy.

### NO ALARM

It is noteworthy that there has been little sympathy in Britain with the vigorous protests against the new 75 per cent. tax on Hollywood's profits from the British Isles. No time was lost by the cinema-owners in ascertaining themselves with the American film-producers' complaints against the tax. Exhibitors would not grieve unduly over a financial loss which simply altered their foreign suppliers; but the American film industry has threatened to counter the move of the British Treasury by ceasing to supply new films at all. The output of British films being limited by paucity of studios, the cinemas would then in a few months be reduced largely to reissues of old films.

Picture-houses would suffer a proportionate loss. But, it is regretted by those outside the industry, this in itself is no conclusive argument against stopping dollar leakage of £17,000,000 a year. The plight of tobaccoists, many of whom are also newsagents doubly hit by the cutting of tobacco imports and newsprint, is at least as deserving of sympathy. If there is no more to be concerned over the difficulties of American film exporters and British film importers than over the hardships of those in both countries who trade in other commodities, there is equally no cause for wishing the film trade to suffer unduly. The step originally proposed by film interests to stop the dollar drain was a freezing of a proportion of Hollywood's profits, which would postpone dollar payments instead of reducing them outright. This solution, however, was debarred by a clause in the loan agreement, and the Cabinet, in this instance as in so many others, tried to meet an emergency at the last possible moment by inevitably crude means. The fresh negotiations for which the Cinematograph Exhibitors' Association ask have doubtless been undertaken as a part of the much wider and more important financial talks which the British and American Governments have just completed in Washington and apparently with satisfaction to Sir Wilfrid Eady. The typically British view is that until the results are known there is no need to take too tragically the possibility that fewer and less extravagant Hollywood productions would be seen in Britain or, even that the exhibitor may lose part of its entertainment tax.

### PLAIN SPEAKING

Mr. Marshall in his speech at Harvard in June called on the European nations for a great imaginative effort. They are responding, and in a more far-reaching way than might have been expected. In return the Europeans have the right to ask the Americans to make an equally great effort of imagination. Let them forget for the moment their own conviction that their present wealth and strength are the result of a superior virtue and remember the European's conviction that they are merely due to sheer luck. Let them worry less about what they can afford to give and more about what they cannot afford not to give. Let them above all try to realise what it feels like to be in other men's shoes. This is the main theme of the striking article on the dollar crisis in the "Economist" which has naturally attracted worldwide

# Inflation In Japan Gets Worse From Day to Day

By Denis Warner

Japan is governed today by a coalition of three parties, the Social Democrats, Peoples Co-Operatives and Democrats, led by Shy, Socialist Tetsu Katayama and suave Hiroshi Ashida, Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, whose diplomatic training, manner and polish is in marked contrast to the nervous diffidence of his leader.

In opposition, pouncing on the Government's difficulties and errors is the Liberal Party (Conservative), with Shigeru Yoshida a former postwar Prime Minister, as its leader. For the moment the Liberals are content to watch the hapless coalition ploughing into a maelstrom of economic difficulties. Any attempt to usurp power before the peace treaty would be a cardinal error. The Liberals know they are regarded as the "old guard", that responsibility in these difficult days would be disadvantageous to their own cause in Japan and worse, internationally ineffectual.

No one could envy Katayama his position. Almost without previous political experience, certainly without administrative knowledge and background, he has an economic crisis on his hands incomparably worse than that now confronting the British Labour Government.

### Helpless Inertia

A combination of circumstances by the end of the war had reduced Japanese industry to a state of helpless inertia. All civilian production had been discontinued to meet the needs of the armed forces; Superfortress raids had destroyed nearly all of Japan's famous "backyard" factories, had blasted the economic triangle, Tokyo-Nagoya-Osaka, into a vast junk heap. Because of war urgency these factories and plants that remained had received little maintenance since 1941. The supply houses of Manchuria, Korea and Formosa had been lost by the terms of the Potsdam Declaration. There was no international trade upon which industry might hope to revive. Nor were there any foreign credits to rebuild the shattered plants. And, finally, over all this depression hung the threat of reparations and the reduction of whatever industry remained.

But the Japanese are tireless, if slow, workers. Like ants they crawled out of the rat holes they used for homes in their devastated cities and began to rebuild. The result today is fantastic. You may live in Tokyo, as I do, and rarely notice the war damage. Osaka, once completely devastated, will be the thriving centre of private trade. Hiroshima proper, where once you could count only thirteen buildings still standing, is now a hustling, bustling frontier town.

### Largely Front

All this is largely front, of course. The houses and shops are flimsy shanties. The whole facade of recovery is largely myth. The stalls along the Ginza (Tokyo's broad main street) are filled with watches, cameras, china, toys. But nearly all of it is glimmer, the stuff that no country today can afford to buy. And with the development of synthetics the bottom is fast dropping out of the silk market.

attention. America, the journal insists, should be warned that every time something more is subtracted from British willingness to offer genuine cooperation in building the sort of world Americans want. They should realise that the British Government has made very great efforts and has been willing to run great risks in agreeing with American conceptions of international economic policy. The risks of convertibility have proved all too real. Non-discrimination, if it is applied in the months to come, will be the means of starving the British people. Yet even now at Geneva, British representatives are in the process of committing Britain, through the Charter of International Trade Organisation, to sweeping general principles, which however excellent in theory are likely to prove in practice equally dangerous. No Government could have put more of its own interests in pawn to pledge its good will; no other Government has tried to make a similar effort. Yet those who would search in Washington for the credit that Britain has earned thereby would need the patience of Diogenes.

The reopening of private trade on August 15 will help. There is no question about that. But there will be many disillusioned foreign traders in Japan in the next few months. The yen is a big problem in itself. Before the war it was valued at approximately four to the gold dollar. With the arrival of the occupation forces it was fixed (for occupation forces only) at fifteen. Later, after the introduction of military script, it dropped to 50, with a blackmarket rate of 150.

### Exchange Rumours

Various rumours have circulated that an international treaty would be signed before the peace treaty is signed—and the latest Giza rumour is that it will be 200 yen to the gold dollar. This is probably a little more than the true value of the yen, but it would be impossible to predict how long even this rate could continue as a true rate.

Inflation becomes worse from day to day. The zaibatsu, whose old capitalist clique, whose wealth was spread by directive of General MacArthur, has virtually vanished from the industrial scene. Its place has been taken by the new yen millionaires, whose source of income is the movie theatre, strip tease show, taxi dance hall and beer garden and contracting racket.

And by the blackmarketers who control the rice and wheat and fish and salt in a land starving of starvation only because of the altruism of the United States. The Japanese claim that recovery will be impossible without foreign credits and the relaxation of some of the terms of the Potsdam Declaration. By foreign credits they mean dollars—and already the occupation has cut the United States a fabulous sum. Even black-marketeering by American troops before the introduction of military script is estimated to have involved the United States Treasury in a loss of some \$60,000,000. Also the United States Congress may not feel over enthusiastic at the prospect of financing a former enemy when many Allies are still in distress.

### Plebiscite Demand

Venerable Yukio Ozaki, elder statesman of Japan, crystallised a big section of Japanese opinion when he demanded a plebiscite in the former Japanese territories of Manchuria, Korea, Formosa and the Ryukyus to determine their future status. What is important in this demand is that there is little doubt that many of these people would prefer to live under Japanese rule than under their present form of administration.

In brief summation, the nation the peace conference will consider consists of four main, mountainous islands with a population more heavily concentrated per acre of cultivated or cultivable land than any other country in the world. It is desperately short of coal, oil, food and fertilisers. It lacks raw materials for the production of exportable goods. It is largely destroyed by war. Its industrial towns were gutted by bombing.

**100 Years Ago**  
(From the files of the "China Mail.")

Our attention was called today to the practice on board H.M.S. steamer "Fury," and we have since learned that the Admiral was on board inspecting her. The firing was from cartridges at point blank distance and the target after being repeatedly curtailed of its fair proportions was speedily shot away. The succeeding practice with smallarms was equally correct, and both show the vessel to be in a state of the highest efficiency.

We hear that an Episcopal Bishop will be out by the end of the year; and in the meantime, in addition to the Colonial Church, the Union Chapel, with an excellent Minister, is open to Protestant Christians.

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Its inhabitants are feudal people oppressed by centuries of often harsh overlordship and who are thus meek followers of accepted authority. Simultaneously, they are immensely hard working and have great recuperative ability. Today they are friendly with the Americans. They prefer the "enemies" they now know the "enemies" who live across the narrow waters of the Taishima Sea. There is fear in Japan that one day the land may be the scene of conflict between Russia and the United States. For the moment, at least, there is also support of the United States. "If MacArthur wanted a million Japanese to fight Russia and called for volunteers, he would get them in a day," a former Japanese naval officer told me.

### Canberra

There is the notion that the Canberra conference must discuss. As an ally it fought with us in 1914-18. As an enemy it fought viciously and treacherously against us in 1941-45.

Today it is disarmed, demilitarised, demobilised. It is for Canberra and the conferences that follow to determine what it shall be tomorrow. The dangers are obvious. What the peace-makers must determine is where justice ends and leniency begins. In the Meiji period the Japanese people revealed themselves as the most astonishingly receptive people in the world. From the midst of their self-imposed isolation they came in fifty years to occupy a position as a leading world power, with a powerful Army, Navy and Air Force and a determination to win by force the "breathing space" for which even now they clamour.

Japan must take its place in the economic fraternity of the world. Common sense calls for that. But common sense demands also that she should not be built up by the peace treaty to a level where she may again threaten the security of the Pacific. Nor should she be given opportunities greater than those available for the Allies whose lands she plundered. Yet she must not be left so weak internally that she should be in danger of falling a prey to the greed of others.

The attributes of the Japanese people, their industry, their ability, their tirelessness are all factors that will have to be considered. Academically, it will be interesting to watch the peace-makers and their reactions (1) to the international situation as it affects Japan and (2) to the realities of Japan's internal situation.

The peace of the Pacific and the world may depend upon their wisdom.—Reuter.

## Austrian Border Arrests

Vienna, Aug. 25. A British military patrol has arrested two Yugoslavs on the Austrian-Yugoslav frontier following the finding of a body of an Austrian-Yugoslav frontier gendarme shot near Radkerburg in Styria on Saturday.

This was the latest of a series of acts of terrorism along the frontier. The British, United States and Austrian police have now increased their patrols.—Reuter.

## SHANGHAI BLACK MARKET

Shanghai, Aug. 26. The black market exchange rate for United States currency jumped from CNY\$40,000 for US\$1.00 to CNY\$43,000 for US\$1.00 within 24 hours after Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer left China. The official open market rate remained unchanged at CNY\$39,000 to US\$1.00. The black market rate remained stable for more than one month during General Wedemeyer's fact-finding tour of China.—Associated Press.

## SINGAPORE STRIKE OFF

Singapore, Aug. 25. A mass meeting of Singapore Harbour Board strikers today decided to return to work tomorrow. The strikers—who stopped work when an Indian labourer was killed by a police entry during an incident at the dock gates four days ago—today submitted a new list of demands, including the arrest of the policeman, and asked for satisfaction within 10 days.—Reuter.

## FREAK STORM

Rome, Aug. 25. A freak storm at Lecce in the "heel" of Southern Italy killed a jockey and injured 30 race-goers when a cyclone suddenly hit a race course during a meeting yesterday and started a panic.—Reuter.

## CARNIVAL By Dick Turner



"And if you just happen to leave a medical book in their rooms, you'd be surprised at the new ailments they develop!"

## BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

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**BOTH SIDES CALCULATE**  
Members of both contending pairs are driven on some deals to use of their calculating powers. At the crucial stage of the bidding, they in effect get out the adding machine and total up the number of points to be gained or lost by the choice between alternative actions. Then each of them endeavours to choose the option which he thinks promises to be the more profitable to his interests, or the less unprofitable, as the case may be.

S 6 5  
H J 5 2  
D A K 10 7 6 2  
C 9 8

S J 10 7 4  
3 2  
H 9 8  
D 9  
C K Q 6 4

N  
W  
E  
S

S Q 8  
H A Q 10 7 6 4  
D 8 4  
C A

(Dealer: East. Both sides vulnerable.)

East South West North  
1C 1H 1S 2D  
3C 3H 3S 4H  
Pass Pass 5C Pass  
Pass 5H

South studied plenty before making that last bid. He was Clem Road, veteran star of the old Knickerbocker Whist club in New York, playing for the Metropolitan championship with one of his most trusted partners, Joseph M. Rothschild. He knew he could depend on the messages that came to him through the bids made across the table, but even then he had a tight problem to solve.

"We can beat the 5-Clubs two tricks," he reasoned, "but that

**Tomorrow's Problem**  
S 10  
H A J 8 4 2  
D A J 8 6 5 2  
C 9

S J 10 7 4  
3 2  
H 9 8  
D 9  
C A 5 4

N  
W  
E  
S

S A 10 8 7 6 5 4 3  
H 5  
D 6  
C K Q 8

(Dealer: South. East-West vulnerable.)

What kind of play must South build to make 4-Spades on this deal after the defenders have tricks with the heart A, club A and spade K and have returned the club J?

# Concessions Hurt U.S. Trade Plans

Washington, Aug. 26. The financial concessions granted the dollar-short British by the United States threaten to upset the Administration's carefully laid plans for expanding world commerce on an unrestricted trade basis. Government trade experts expressed the opinion on Sunday that last week's agreement permitting the British to stop the exchange of their currency may delay indefinitely plans to persuade other countries to adopt more liberal trading principles.

The right of all nations to exchange foreign currencies in any kind of money they need is a key point in the American-sponsored trade programme. As a result of the Anglo-American accord, the British need honour only part of the demands for dollars made on them by traders in other countries from whom the British buy.

This arrangement is only "temporary" but neither the British nor the American officials who reached the decision would venture a guess on how long it will take the British to return to free convertibility.

The United States has spoken up frequently during the past several years in favour of freer trading among other countries as a means of insuring prosperity and distributing world resources more equitably. These principles were embodied only last Friday in a draft charter for an international trade organization approved by 17 nations after three months of intensive negotiation in Geneva.

As long as the British cannot meet all requests for dollars, these officials feel that other countries may continue the practice of concluding two-way trading agreements and shift their commerce to countries where dollars are not needed.

**Trade Decline?**  
There is a distinct possibility that American trade will fall off, they said, because other countries that formerly got dollars from Britain to buy in the United States will be short of funds.

Officials who asked not to be quoted by name indicated that the American conferees realised they might set back American trading plans when they agreed to allow the British to suspend the dollar conversion feature in the \$3,750,000,000 loan.

It was either a case of saying no and taking a chance that the British would go bankrupt, or accepting worldwide chaos, or settling the commercial blueprint now being worked out.

These officials stressed that the United States will not give up its trade principles and will watch the British closely and insist upon a return to convertibility as quickly as possible.—Associated Press.



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# BRITAIN'S TERMS OF PEACE FOR JAPAN

Canberra, Aug. 25.

## BRITAIN FACES FOOD RATION CUTS

London, Aug. 25. The presence of the Food Minister, Mr. John Strachey, not officially a member of the Cabinet, confirmed that today's emergency Cabinet meeting must have dealt with cuts in American food imports and the reduction in food rations that inevitably must follow.

Mr. Strachey was expected to lay before the Cabinet detailed plans for import cuts and the possibility of finding alternative markets.

Mr. Attlee announced early this month in the Commons that the Government intended to slash food imports from the United States and other dollar countries by US\$48,000,000 or 40 per cent, to save dollars.

Since then, however, the American loan has been frozen and Government sources have conceded that an even greater reduction must be made. Predictions ranged as high as 75 per cent, United Press.

## SOVIET MAKES SUGGESTION

Moscow, Aug. 25.

Britain should solve her crisis by improving her economic ties with the Soviet Union and the East European countries, the Soviet "New Times" quoted by a Moscow Radio English language broadcast, declared today.

"The policy chosen by American expansion will be pressed still more vigorously in connection with Britain's economic difficulties," the paper wrote.

"Britain is now faced with the same problem which faced her two years ago—either to sell herself into servitude to American capital, or to make an abrupt right-about-face and improve her economic ties with the rest of the world, including the East European countries and the Soviet Union"—Reuter.

Britain wanted Japan stripped of her Empire and restricted to her home islands, but did not want a pauperised Japan which would be a constant drain on other peoples through her inability to maintain herself economically.

Lord Addison, Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, expressed these views on the eve of the Commonwealth talks on the Japanese peace treaty at which the new Dominions of India and Pakistan are represented—India by Sir B. Ramana, political representative in Japan and Mr. K. L. Panjab, and Pakistan by Mr. Muzra Rafiq and Brigadier Sher Ali Khan.

Other points made by Lord Addison were: Britain has no intention of surrendering or jeopardising any of her proper interests in the Pacific in order to concentrate her attention.

"We have great interests in the Pacific, the Malayan Peninsula, Singapore and Hong Kong, and immense shipping interests as well."

If Britain had promised that Russia would receive the Kuriles and South Sakhalin under the secret clauses in the Yalta Agreement (an interpretation, on which he did not necessarily accept), Britain would honour the promises.

## No Veto

Britain and Australia are also agreed that there should be no exercise of the veto at the Washington Conference.

Authoritative circles in Canberra believed the main Australian proposals concerning the future of Japan would include the stripping of her empire, American control of the whole Central Pacific belt through the island group dominated by Okinawa, and the laying down of a policy to ensure economic stability in Japan.

Delegates from all parts of the British Commonwealth were today making last minute preparations for tomorrow's opening session. Heading the British delegation is Lord Addison, who is supported by Mr. Hector McNeill, Minister of State, Mr. E. J. Williams, United Kingdom High Commissioner in Australia, and Lieutenant General Horace C. H. Robertson, commander-in-chief of the British Commonwealth Occupation Forces in Japan.

Matching the strong British camp is a long list of personalities from the Dominions.

Canada is represented by Mr. Brooke Claxton, Minister of Defence, who headed the Canadian delegates at the Paris conference, while New Zealand is represented by her Prime Minister, Mr. Peter Fraser, and South Africa by Mr. H. G. Lawrence, Minister of Justice.

The Conference will last about two weeks and is more in the nature of a prelude to the 11-nation talks which are expected to take place in Washington later in the year.

## Possible Draft

The British Commonwealth conference may produce a draft for the future Japanese peace treaty, London political quarters predict.

Though an attempt to write the Japanese peace treaty in full may prove too much for the conference, which must start with a preliminary exchange of views on Far Eastern problems as a whole, it is known in London that, at any rate, some of the Dominion delegates intend some definite plan to serve as a basis of discussion at the 11-power conference.

The conference is therefore expected to deal easily with many of the problems which have proved troublesome at discussion.

## Murderer Of Women To Be Sentenced

Hamburg, Aug. 25.

A British military court here, trying former SS General and police chief of Hamburg, Grav von Bassowitz-Bohr, charged with the murder of five Russian women, is expected to pronounce sentence on Wednesday.

Women "slave workers" in a Hamburg factory were forced, "as an example," to watch Gestapo executions of women who had struck because of bad food, it was stated during the trial.

Charged with him were two prison officials, Teesmann and Stango.

The former police chief also faced charges of taking part in the execution of 71 prisoners in the Neuengamme concentration camp in April, 1945.—Reuter.

## Shanghai Nazis Going Home

Shanghai, Aug. 26.

Nearly 200 German Nazis and pro-Nazis hauled their luggage today to the Customs Jetty on the Whangpoo river to board the United States army transport General Black for their return to Germany.

She will sail as soon as German repatriates from other China cities, including Peking, Tientsin and Tsingtau arrive in Shanghai.

The Shanghai Germans slated for repatriation—the third from China since the end of the war—were ordered to report for embarkation not later than noon on August 27.

Thirty-one were flown to Shanghai from Peking in two American planes yesterday and another group is scheduled to follow in a few days.

More than 40 families were rounded up in Tsingtau and will be sent to Shanghai aboard a United States naval transport. Several informants will be allowed to remain behind.

Repatriates are allowed 350 pounds of baggage and US\$100 each.—Associated Press.

## Decision Still Closely Guarded Secret

London, Aug. 25.

One of the greatest decisions in economic and financial history, the United States answer to the requested suspension of the non-discrimination clause of the Anglo-American loan, still remained a closely guarded secret today.

Only a hint was given by Sir Wilfrid Eady, the man who led the negotiations which may determine the fate of Britain as a world power, after his plane landed at Shannon airport.

"The object of my visit to the United States has been obtained," he said.

The discussions on the clause were "very valuable" and problems were handled "with the greatest possible measure of goodwill and understanding."

Sir Wilfrid was believed to have been summoned to an emergency meeting of the Cabinet tonight after it had been in session more than three hours.

Sir Wilfrid, who flew the Atlantic last night, had told reporters that he would report to the Cabinet tomorrow on the United States reply.

His reported arrival at No. 10, Downing Street, while the meeting was in progress, was presumably for the purpose of presenting his report to the Ministers.

It was later stated that first reports were not borne out, and that Sir Wilfrid visited the Treasury next door.

When the Cabinet reviews in detail the results of the Washington talks, it will be known whether its plans may include buying from countries other than, as the clause allows, in proportion to imports from the United States.

If the clause must be adhered to, Britain's purchases of vital food and raw materials must be scaled down proportionately.

With the bulk of the loan used and the remainder frozen, imports must now be at the level of exports.

## London Hints

The Cabinet rose without issuing any formal statement on the United States reply to the requested suspension.

However, most commentators believe the United States has agreed to overlook any infringement and Britain has been set free to trade in the soft currency areas.

It is understood that the Cabinet has made several decisions on the austerity plan, which will not be made public until a single press release is issued.

## MONKS STOP FOREST FIRE

Leicester, Aug. 25.

Trappist monks of Mount St. Bernard Abbey, Charnwood Forest, in long white habits, carrying stirrup pumps, buckets of water and wet sacks, fought and checked a forest blaze near Leicester today.—Reuter.

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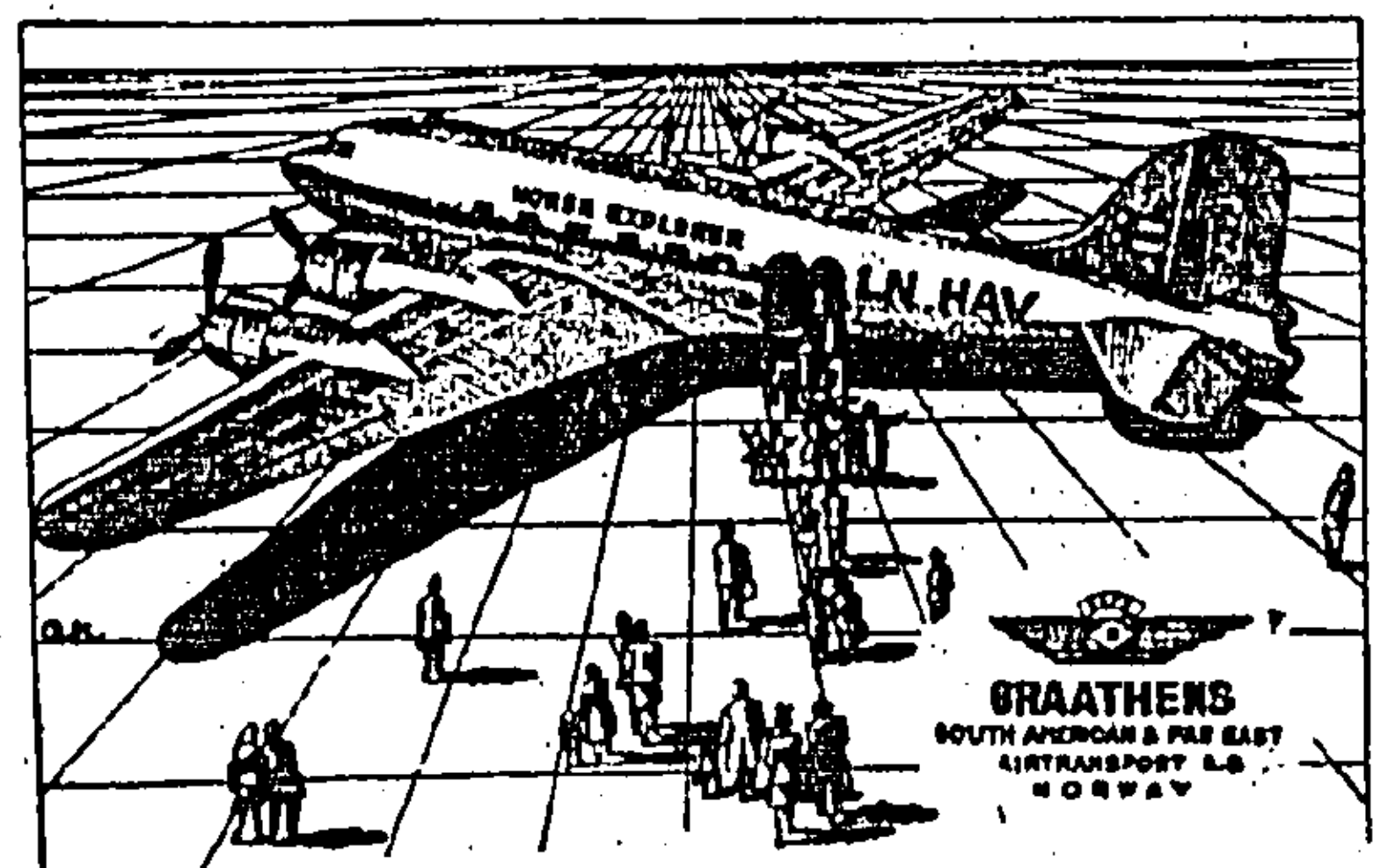
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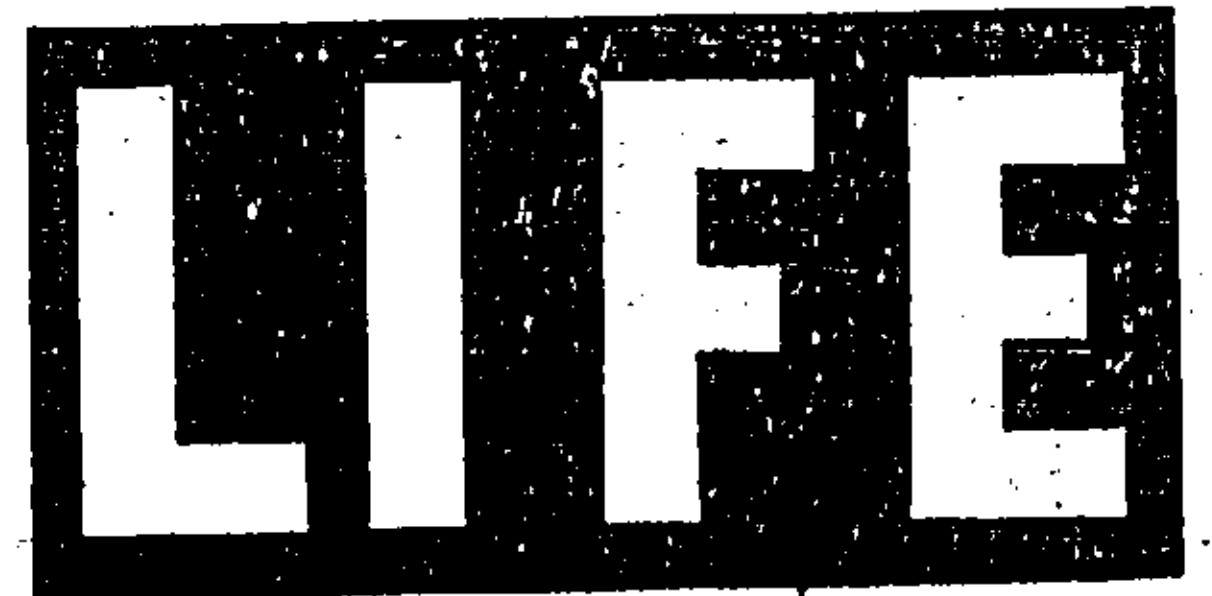
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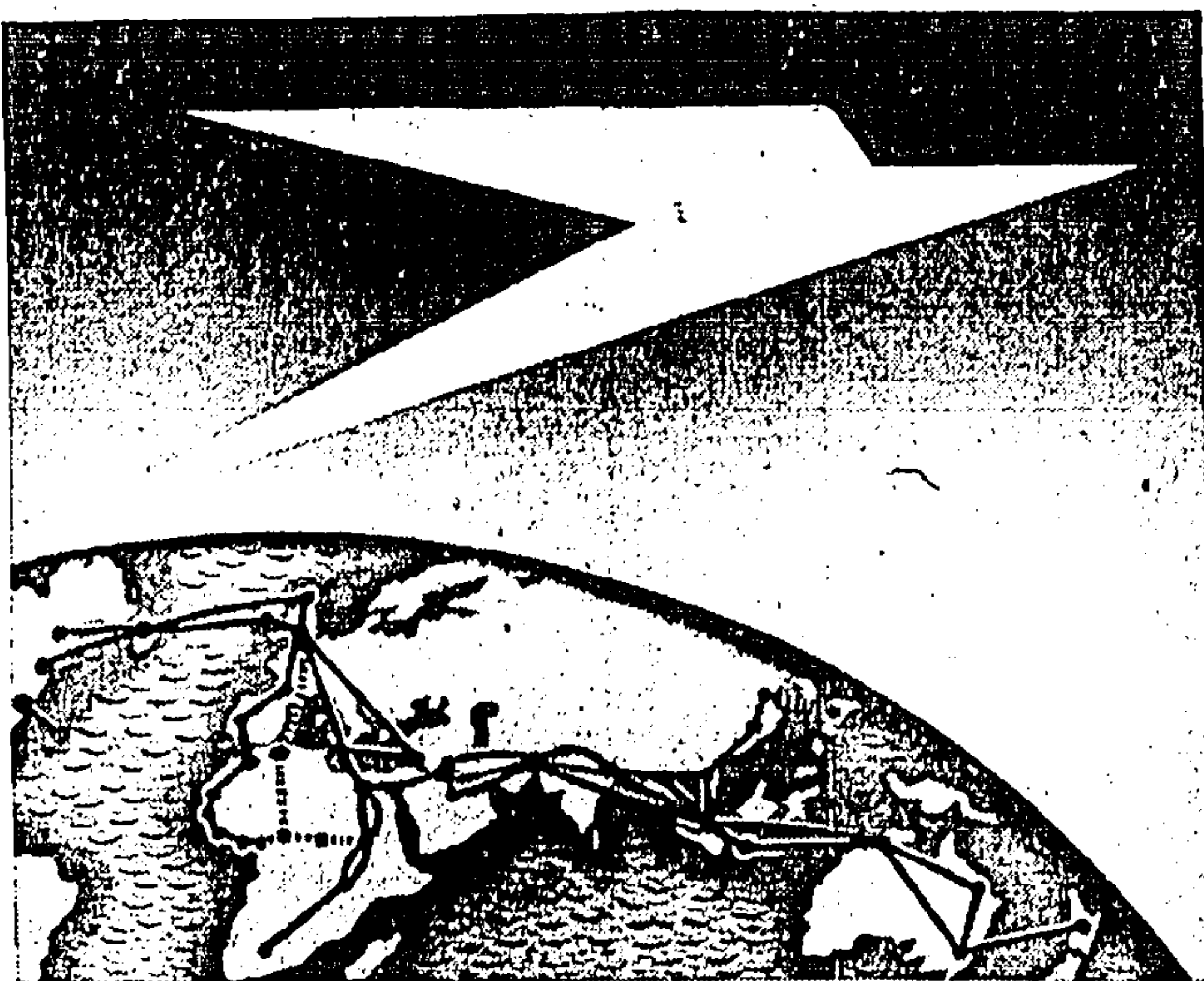
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## MIDDLESEX IS ON THE ROAD TO VICTORY

London, Aug. 25. Middlesex are well on the road to victory in their match against Surrey at Lords, but Gloucestershire, their rivals at the top of the cricket County Championship table are not doing so well against Hampshire at Bournemouth.

Ian Bedford, a 17-year-old schoolboy who made his debut for Middlesex in first-class cricket recently, completely tied up experienced batsmen with his leg-breaks and googlies, and took five wickets for 53 runs, forcing Surrey to follow on.

Gloucestershire declared at their Saturday score, but they under-estimated Hampshire, who today gained a first innings lead with two wickets yet to fall.

John Arnold, England cricketer and footballer, was in his best form, and with the wicket-keeper, McCorkell, put on 223 runs in three hours for the third wicket.

Arnold's 195 was his highest score of the season. Pulls, hooks and square cuts brought him 31 fours. McCorkell hit one five and nine fours, chiefly drives, in his innings of 101.

At Southend, Denis Bogle, scoring his first century of the tour, enabled the South Africans to gain a first innings lead of 20 runs against Essex today.

In reply to Essex's first innings total of 280, the tourists scored 400, and at close of play Essex had scored 20 for no loss in their second innings.

**Shaky Start**

The South Africans made a shaky start in the first innings, losing six wickets for 160 despite a fine innings by their captain, Alan Melville, who played his best game for a long time and attacked both pace and spin bowlers with zest for a brilliant 84.

Bogle and Owenstone—the latter playing his first game in two months after a hand injury—came together, and Bogle at once began a vigorous attack on the bowling.

The couple put on 118 runs in 70 minutes for the seventh wicket, and transformed the appearance of the South African innings. Bogle, scoring from well-timed strokes all round the wicket, reached his century in as many minutes, and altogether, batted for 145 minutes and hit 16 fours. He was well supported by Owenstone, who made 36, and Rowan, with 58 not out.

**County Scores**

Close of play scores in the County matches today were:

At Northampton: Yorkshire beat Northampton by 351 runs. Yorkshire 280 and 331 (Lester 142, Wardle 51); Northamptonshire 146 (Harron 63; Aspinall, right arm fast, 8 for 42) and 113 (Brooke, left arm fast, 5 for 23).

At Ennalsbourne: Sussex 221 and 98 for 0 (John Langridge

## Fifteen Teams For Football

The League Management committee of the Hong Kong Football Association, which met last night decided to admit 15 teams to the First Division.

In order that the league season may be finished by the first week in May, mid-week games will be played at the beginning and the end of the season.

The draw for the opening game resulted as follows:

**First Division**

South China v. Inniskilling F.C.; Devons v. Kwong Wah; Buffs v. Kitchener; Club v. Police; Chinese A.A. v. Royal Air Force; 25th R.A. v. Navy; Eastern v. St. Joseph's; Bye:—Sing Tao.

**Scottish "A" Second Division**

R.A.O.C. v. Navy; Kit chee v. Sing Tao; South China v. Dockyard; Buffs v. w.d. Chinese Civil Servants; Inniskilling v. Police; St. Joseph's v. Tai Koo.

**Scottish "B" Second Division**

983 R.A.S.C. v. Club; Chinese Cadres v. Devons; 25th R.A. v. South China; H.K. Electric v. H.K. Signal Squadron; R.E.M.F. Chinese Athletic; Bye:—Sing Tao.

**Referees Meet**

All football referees are invited to a general meeting at the Association's offices on Monday, September 1 at 5.30 p.m.

Matters of considerable importance to referees and line-men will be discussed.

The Governor (Sir Alexander Grantham) has consented to become patron of the Hong Kong Football Association.

**Sing Tao Praised**

London, Aug. 25. Sports writers, commenting in British press today on the football team of the Hong Kong Football Association, have unanimously praised the Chinese footballers' playing as "scintillating".

Sports commentators ascribed Sing Tao's defeat to their hesitation and failure in shooting.

The "New Chronicle" writer says: "No praise could be too high for Sing Tao's approach work and wizard-like ball control but his forwards were strangely hesitant near the goal and lost chance after chance."—Central News.

## New Head For Training Ground Of Kuomintang

Nanking, August 26. After holding the Presidency of the National Central Political University—training ground of hundreds of Kuomintang officials—for more than 20 years, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek resigned today.

The Executive Yuan approved the resignation and confirmed the appointment of Ku Yu-shih, at present Shanghai Commissioner of Education, as his successor.

Informants said the Generalissimo's action resulted from a desire to rationalise the University, which formerly was financed by the Kuomintang—Associated Press.

## Navy Puts On Good Sailing Show

With many of their racing stalwarts away, the Royal Navy put up a good fight in the team sailing race against the R.N.K.Y.C. last Sunday morning, and just lost to the Club by 3 points—the result being Club 67 points, Navy 64 points. A return match between these two teams will be held next Sunday morning.

By winning the dinghy race on Sunday afternoon after a long struggle against Honess, Chiddell secured first place in the third Helmsman series in dinghies. This was the final race in this series.

**Saturday's Races**

The second in the Helmsman series was held on Saturday afternoon. Honess, R.N., had bad luck when his main halyard parted when he was well in the lead in Belletrix and he had to give up the race. Comic relief was provided by Hancock and Browne in "Donch" when as a result of a complicated manoeuvre designed to borrow a box of matches from another sailor, Hancock was tipped overboard together with the box of matches. Result:—

**Sunday Afternoon August 25**

Stars 2nd Race in 2nd Helmsman's Series

1st. Atair (Sodgwick, Chiddell) 2:25.15  
2nd. Honess (Hancock, Browne) 2:25.55  
3rd. Donch (Hancock, Browne) 2:25.55  
4th. Allon (Hancock) 2:25.55  
5th. Honess (Hancock, Browne) 2:25.55  
6th. Honess (Hancock, Browne) 2:25.55

**Six dinghies raced over a longish course practically to Channel Rock and back twice on Saturday afternoon in a friendly race to finish as follows:**

**DINGHIES**

1st. Amethyst (Honess, Mrs. Honess) 2:04.30  
2nd. Honess (Hancock, Browne) 2:04.30  
3rd. Honess (Hancock, Browne) 2:04.30  
4th. Honess (Hancock, Browne) 2:04.30  
5th. Honess (Hancock, Browne) 2:04.30  
6th. Honess (Hancock, Browne) 2:04.30

This was raced under existing conditions on Sunday morning—wind force 4 rising to 6, squally, with a confused sea particularly in the main tide-way. With most of the "big ships" away the Navy team ran a very close race with the Club through and very nearly did it. Brookes, although eventually disqualified, did great service to the side by covering and interfering with the opposition, and it was an extremely well-fought race throughout all the time. Result:—

**Sunday Morning August 25**

1st. Honess (Hancock, Browne) 1:14.07  
2nd. Duke of York (H.K.N.) 1:14.15  
3rd. Honess (Hancock, Browne) 1:14.15  
4th. Honess (Hancock, Browne) 1:14.15  
5th. Honess (Hancock, Browne) 1:14.15  
6th. Honess (Hancock, Browne) 1:14.15

**Next Weekend**

The principal events next weekend are a return match between Navy and the Club on Sunday morning, and it is hoped that the top of the series will be decided by a race on Saturday morning or afternoon or both. A Third Star race can be arranged on Sunday afternoon in addition to dinghy races.

Jerusalem, Aug. 26. An Arab official said on Monday that the Arabs plan to resort to illegal immigration at the rate of 10 Arabs for every Jew spirited into the Holy Land, if the United Nations gives an "unfavourable" decision on the Palestine problem. —Associated Press.

## Boxing May Boom Again

An endeavour is being made to revive interest in boxing in Hong Kong, and it is hoped that it will be possible to arrange a tournament in late September or early October.

At one time, under the now defunct Hong Kong Boxing Association, the sport was highly popular in the Colony. Old followers of the game still discuss bouts staged in the days of Chadwick, Jock Creighton, Edwin, Stoker Morris, Dunne and—most consistently brilliant of them all—Jimmy Cartledge.

Following the break-up of the H.K.B.A. for reasons which were never acceptably disclosed, nothing more imposing has been attempted than intra-Service competitions.

A movement to get the sport on its feet again is now under way.

There is also a move to obtain some of the noted contenders in the Philippines to get the project off to a good start.

Members of the Services, who have won themselves a boxing reputation in their units or branch of the Services, are invited to get into touch with Mr. J. Rainey, c/o "China Mail".

## HALF MILLION DOLLARS ON KWANGTUNG HCP.

By 5 p.m. yesterday the public had invested almost half a million dollars in the Jockey Club's Cash Sweep on the Kwangtung Handicap which is to run on October 11, second day of the Double Tenth Meeting.

The "China Mail" was informed yesterday afternoon that more than 170,000 tickets had been sold.

The racing season opens on Saturday, September 27, with the Eighth Extra Race meeting, to be followed by the two-day Double Tenth Meeting on October 10 and 11.

Abridged programmes follow:

8th Extra Race Meeting:—Australian Ponies, Griffins and Subscription Ponies of any Season. Handicap. (Autumn Plate), 6 Furlongs.

"B" Class Handicap. (Two sections) 1 Mile.

"C" Class Handicap. (Two sections) 6 Furlongs.

"D" Class and Unclassified Subscription Ponies of 1947 that have not started 6 Furlongs. "D" Class ponies: winners of less than \$1,000 barred. Weight: 145 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes. Limit to penalty: 24 lb. Jockey Allowance.

First bell 2.30 p.m.—first race 3.00 p.m. on both days.

**Double Tenth Meeting First Day, Friday Oct. 10**

Australian Ponies, Griffins and Subscription Ponies of any Season. Handicap. (Double Tenth Plate). From 1½ Mile Post.

"B" Class Handicap. (Two sections) 6 Furlongs.

"C" Class Handicap. (Two sections) 1 Mile.

"D" Class and Unclassified Subscription Ponies of 1947 that have not started. From 1½ Mile Post. (Two sections). Weight: 135 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes. Limit to penalty: 24 lb.

**Second Day, Saturday, Oct. 11**

Australian Ponies, Griffins and Subscription Ponies of any Season. Handicap. (October Handicap). (Winners at this Meeting barred). 1½ Miles.

"B" Class Handicap. From 2 Mile Post. First Section (as arranged by the Handicapper). Forced Entry for all "B" Class ponies. No Entrance Fee. Kwangtung Handicap. (Winners at this Meeting barred).

"C" Class Handicap. From 2 Mile Post. Second Section (as arranged by the Handicapper). (Winners at this Meeting barred).

"D" Class Handicap. 1½ Miles. (Two sections) Winners at this Meeting barred.

"D" Class. Winners of less than \$1,000 barred. From 2 Mile Post. Weight: 145 lb. Novice Jockeys: 2 lb. penalty for each race won. Limit to penalty: 14 lb. Winners at this Meeting barred.

**BOWLS RESULTS**

J. Chubb beat S.M. Rumball by 21-20 after 25 ends in the second round of the Singles Championships at the K.R.G.C. this evening.

Scores were even on two occasions and the match was very close and exciting.

Rumball lead 20-17 on the 23rd end.

Playing on the same green, A.F. Noronha & J.E. Noronha beat L.C.R. Souza & B.W. Bradbury by 21-16 in the second round of the Open Pairs Championship.

At the K.C.C. E.M. Remedios & E. Souza beat M.J. Razack & A.J. Coelho by 20-14.

On the same green, J. Orem & J.C. Aiken beat E.C. Fincher & J.S. Landolt by 21-15.

Both the above matches are the second round of the Open Pairs Championship.

**OPEN PAIRS**

Playing at Cox's Path yesterday, J. Orem & J.C. Aiken defeated E.C. Fincher & J.S. Landolt by 21 shots to 16 in the Second Round of the Open Pairs Lawn Bowl Championship.

**AMERICAN BASEBALL**

New York, Aug. 26. In American League baseball, Cleveland came from behind three times and finally edged out Boston 10-8.

Two Red Sox hurlers lost control with bases loaded in the eighth inning and walked three runners across the plate.

Combining 11 hits with three Tiger errors, Philadelphia upset Detroit 7-5.

In the National League, the Brooklyn Dodgers, riddled by injuries, saw their subs come through in fine shape to defeat Pittsburgh.

**American League**

Boston 10 8 0  
Cleveland 8 0 1  
Winning pitcher Ed Klemm  
Philadelphia 7 7 1  
Detroit 5 8 3  
Winning pitcher Bill McCahan

**National League**

Pittsburgh 10 10 1  
Brooklyn 11 13 0  
Winning pitcher Clyde King  
Chicago 9 14 1  
New York 7 13 0  
Winning pitcher Claude Passeau  
George Mauer pitched the St. Louis Cardinals to victory over Boston 5 to 2.

Stan Musial's seventeenth homer with Dusan Dusak aboard gave the Cardinals their first two tallies against Lefty Warren Spahn.

Philadelphia 5 8 0  
Boston 2 5 1  
Winning pitcher Mungler  
The Cincinnati Reds bunched their hits early and defeated the Philadelphia Phillies 5 to 3.

Philadelphia 5 9 2  
Cincinnati 5 8 0  
Winning pitcher Ducky Walters  
Washington 0 4 0  
St. Louis 1 3 0  
Winning pitcher Scarborough  
—Associated Press.

**SToke City Is Setting The Pace In Soccer**

London, Aug. 25. The Stoke City team, which missed the First Division championship last season after looking assured winners, appeared to be setting the pace in the present campaign.

They won at Bolton on Saturday and followed this success with a long period last night, scored twice in Leicester's narrow win over Plymouth.

The results of games played today were:

**FIRST DIVISION**

Preston N.E. 1 Bolton 0  
Sheffied Un. 1 Middlebro 1  
Stoke City 2 Portsmouth 1

**SECOND DIVISION**

Cardiff 3 Doncaster 0  
Coventry 0 Birmingham 1  
Leicester C. 2 Plymouth 1  
West Ham 1 Millwall 1

**THIRD DIVISION (SOUTHERN)**

Bristol Rovers 2 Swindon T. 1

**THIRD DIVISION (NORTHERN)**

Stockport 2 Halifax 1  
York City 2 Carlisle 2  
—Reuter.

**Readers' Letters**

**Stanley Camp Transactions**

Sir,—Following the recent announcement in the Local Press regarding the above I have been approached by several interested parties regarding a fair rate to compromise a settlement. The difficulty of course is to fix a just and reasonable rate which will apply generally and it is in this connection that Government assistance would be appreciated as it appears to me that a fixed percentage of the amount concerned would be the best and most practical method.

Personally I would not mind what rate is agreed upon providing it is a rate which might be generally accepted. Furthermore, I would not mind if the whole matter was completely washed out for although I have a substantial position in this connection I do not desire to make profit out of these transactions, my only reason originally for participating was to be the means of helping money go round, so that many internees who were urgently in need of food could make purchases in the Camp Canteen.

Government Officials and several local firms availed themselves of these means to give financial assistance to their Staff and it is generally admitted that the Camp Canteen sponsored by Government Officials could not have continued functioning without recourse to these means.

I would be willing to hand over the whole of my interests in this connection to Government or any other responsible body who may care to handle same and I would gladly give the surplus, if any, to local Charity.

B.W. BRADBURY.

**HAJTHORNE DOWNS VERCAMMEN**

London, Aug. 26. Stan Hawthorne of North Shields, contender for the British lightweight title, scored an easy knock out victory Monday night over Louis Vercammen, former lightweight champion of Belgium.

Hawthorne finished his opponent in the second round, flooring him for eight and a half counts and then ending him down with a furious right for the full count. Vercammen was unable to defend himself against Hawthorne's powerful punching. —Associated Press.

**HAD JEWELLERY IN OVALTINE TIN**

Manila, Aug. 26. Yap Le Ju Wang, Chinese business woman, was yesterday fined 500 pesos and costs for attempting to smuggle 65 pieces of jewellery into the Philippines last March.

The case attracted public attention because of the way she tried to take the jewellery through the Customs—in an Ovaltine can full of honey. —United Press.

**ENGLISH GOLF**

Hoylake, England, Aug. 26. The English golf team beat Scotland by six matches to four with two halves in their 19th annual tournament.

It was England's sixth win in the series. —Associated Press.

## Test Team Chosen For W.I. Tour

London, Aug. 25. The MCC (Marylebone Cricket Club) have issued invitations to cricketers to join the team to tour the West Indies next winter. The following have been invited:

G.O. Allen (Middlesex), captain;

Ken Cranston (Lancashire);

Bill Edrich (Middlesex);

S.C. Griffiths (Sussex);

T.E. Bailey (Essex);

J. Robertson (Middlesex);

T.G. Evans (Kent);

H.J. Butler (Nottinghamshire);

W. Place (Lancashire);

R. Howarth (Worcestershire);

G. Smithson (Yorkshire);

D. Brookes (Northamptonshire);

J.T. Ikin (Lancashire);

Allen, Cranston, Edrich, Griffiths and Bailey are amateurs.

The party as at present constituted is a blend of experience and youth.

Allen, at 45, is considered

## Test Team Chosen For W.I. Tour

worthy of inclusion both as player and adviser. He has appeared only once for Middlesex this season, but has been keeping fit in charge of Middlesex youngsters.

The West Indies have no easy task facing them, for at the moment six men who have played in Test matches this year have been invited.

Advocates of youth will be particularly pleased at the inclusion of Trevor Bailey, the Essex fast bowler and batsman, who only a week ago hit a double century, and Gerald Smithson, the Yorkshire left-hander and one of the most promising bats the summer has produced.

The team will be well-off for opening batsmen in Robertson, Place and Brookes, and first-rate wicket-keeping is assured with Evans and Griffiths in the party.

At Allen and Edrich bowl, there should be plenty of pace in the attack, but so far only two recognised slow bowlers—Howarth, left arm, and Ikin, right arm—have been invited.

Norman Yardley, Len Hutton and Denis Compton could not be considered for the tour, as they had asked early this month to be excused. —Reuter.

## Stoke City Is Setting The Pace In Soccer

One goal sufficed to give Preston North End their first win of the season, while in the other First Division game, Middlesbrough were held to a draw by Sheffied United, at Bramall Lane after leading at half-time.

Welsh enthusiasts went wild over Cardiff's emphatic victory against Doncaster Rovers, the other Third Division promoted side, and the gate of 48,000 was the biggest crowd of tonight's programme.

Lee Leicester City's centre-forward, who has thoroughly re-

## HELENA MAY GOLF CLUB

The first post-war meeting of the Helena May Golf Club was held yesterday evening, with Mrs. Sturgeon-Welsh occupying the Chair. The duties of Secretary were carried out by Mrs. Cassidy.

The Chairman said the Club had been a long time getting reorganized owing to the fact that many members did not return to the Colony until some time after the re-occupation.

The first task before the meeting, said Mrs. Sturgeon-Welsh, was to select a Captain and Committee.

Mrs. S. Smalley was elected Captain and the following ladies as members of the Committee: Mesdames Sturgeon-Welsh, Shaw, Cassidy, Hunter, Robertson and Profit.

On Sunday, the South China touring team won their third game in Bangkok when they beat the Champion team by the goal scored, by Cheuk Shek-kam.

## 25th Regimental Sports Meeting

Yesterday, 26th of August, 25th Field Regiment R.A. celebrated "Le Cateau" Day by holding a regimental sports meeting at the Gunner Barracks, Gun Club Hill, Kowloon.

Fourteen teams of ten men, competed in a full programme of seven events, viz:—Soccer; 220 yards Relay Race, Basketball; High Jump; Long Jump; Hana Ball and Putting the Shot.

"F" Team proved the winners, gaining the maximum 14 points, having beaten their opponents in each of the seven above events. "B" "C" and "G" teams each obtained 12 points and a "Tug-of-War" was held to decide the final placings resulting in "C" team obtaining 2nd place whilst "G" team was third.

Although the competitive element in the sports was based on "team-spirit", there were a number of good individual performances. Gunner Scott (35 Battery), a member of "D" team, cleared 19' 3" in the Long Jump and Lt. Pope of "G" team covered 31' 10" in Putting the Shot.

Despite the extremely hot weather both competitors and spectators had a thoroughly enjoyable morning. A gay marquee, supplying welcome and well-earned refreshments, was a much frequented centre between events.

## KCC TO CELEBRATE LIBERATION DAY

The Kowloon Cricket Club is celebrating the anniversary of Liberation Day next Saturday, with a special Chinese Chow, concert and dancing at the clubhouse.

Table bookings are already good, but there is still plenty of room for more members and their parties.

Tickets for the "chow" are \$10 each, and bookings for tables may be made by members at the clubhouse until tomorrow (Thursday) evening.

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**New Air Speed Record**

Muroc, Calif., Aug. 26. The Navy sent its Douglas Skytrentk flashing over a three-kilometre course on Monday at a speed believed to be approximately 650 miles per hour. —Associated Press.